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Education

Duke University (Durham, NC) **May 2021**
Environmental Science and Policy with an Ecology Focus; Minor in Earth and Ocean Sciences; Certificate in Policy Journalism and Media Studies

Bond University (Gold Coast, QLD, Australia) **Apr 2020**
Courses: Factual/Documentary Production, Investigative/Solutions Journalism, Marine and Coastal Environments, Environmental Field Analysis

Experience

Editorial Intern and Reporter | Grist **Nov 2020–Present**

- Covering environmental injustice, people and landscape, and environmental solutions around the United States for this national news outlet. This includes covering the nationwide implications of biogas projects in North Carolina, an international initiative to set environmental justice standards for river keepers, and the aftermath of anti-racism commitments set by NGOs to name a few.
- Pitched a story map and video project chronicling the evolution of environmental justice terms and movements in American history.
- Pitched an audio project combining land worker’s experience with nature and natural sound from key landscapes.
- <https://grist.org/author/cameron-oglesby/>

Editorial Assistant | Southerly **Aug 2020–Present**

- I handle social media, graphic design, marketing and membership campaigns, collaborative outreach, and any other necessary administrative tasks. Will have piece published on Upper Mattaponi tribe in partnership with The Wilderness Society.

The 9th Street Journal | Duke Reporters Lab

Staff Reporter | City and the Environment **Oct 2019–Jan 2020 & Aug 2020–Nov 2020**

- Covered litter clean-up initiative, water quality; profiled Durham city council candidates and live election results.
- Wrote enterprise features on development in Durham’s black neighborhoods, trees and greenspace, and policing.
- Used deep dive data analysis and visualization to write about under covered issues of race, justice, and environment.
- <https://9thstreetjournal.org/author/0740732/>

Summer Intern | Environment and City Council Reporter **June 2020–Aug 2020**

- Documented the impact of COVID on litter and recycling services; covered issues of policing, redlining, equity, and city finances and art.

Duke Undergraduate Environmental Union | Duke Student Government

President | Director of Environmental Affairs and Policy **May 2020–Present**

- Head of ideation and communications; preside over meetings and handle interactions with large campus entities, student groups, and DSG.
- Redesigned UEU website: www.sites.duke.edu/duEU
- Spearheading the creation of:
 - An environmental literacy course requirement for all undergraduates
 - An Environmental Justice Campus Committee for faculty, staff, and students: creating EJ infrastructure at Duke
 - DEI collaborative programming and outreach with affinity groups, staff, and the environmental community
 - An environmental student club for Duke Kunshan University
 - An “Eco-Opportunities with Duke Environment” webinar series
 - An Environmental Justice House Course (one of the instructors)

Vice President of External Affairs **Jan 2019–Jan 2020**

- Co-founder. Spearheaded the transition to a DSG committee: www.dukestudentgovernment.org/undergraduate-environmental-union
- Facilitated all event planning and communication with environmental entities at Duke and in Durham: Earth Week in Spring 2019, the Duke Climate Rally in Fall 2019, and the End of Semester Enviro Blow Out in Winter 2019.

The Duke Chronicle

Podcaster/Graphics Editor **Aug 2020–Present**

- Spearheading and hosting [Bridging the Gap](#) podcast: a commentary on discrimination, marginalization, race, and identity at Duke.
- Assisting with [Operation Climate](#) podcast: a look into environmental issues and advocacy at Duke and in Durham.
- I’ve streamlined the graphics request process, providing opportunities for more dynamic and interactive Chronicle graphics.

Staff News Reporter**Aug 2019–May 2020**

- Short and long form articles on Duke environment, administrative accountability pieces on carbon neutrality and sustainable decision-making, science research coverage, and the Black experience on campus.
- <https://www.dukechronicle.com/staff/cameron-oglesby>

Undergraduate Rep | Board of Trustees Climate Change and Sustainability Task Force**Sept 2020–Present**

- President Price has charged this task force with providing insight to the administration on current and future climate and sustainability initiatives.
- I represent the interests of the undergraduate community in this space, bringing their concerns to the body and advocating for greater student input on issues like overarching student environmental literacy and diverse representation.

Undergraduate Assistant | Yoder Genomic Conservation Lab**Aug 2018–Present**

- Conducted genome likelihood tests to determine the migration patterns and speciation of Grey Mouse lemur populations.
- Second author on upcoming paper on the species delimitation of Madagascar Grey Mouse lemurs (*Murinus*).

Climate and Culture Editorial Fellow | The Wilderness Society**June 2020–Aug 2020**

- Program Lead on Great Dismal Swamp Interactive Story Mapping Project; helped direct Great Dismal Swamp Collaborative summer meeting.
- Composed journalistic profiles on African American and Indigenous communities in relation to place, environment, and climatic shifts.
- Composed Climate Op-Ed and Blog for TWS Climate Plan for Public Lands team.

Freelance Environmental Reporter and Bond University Newsroom Intern | QLD, Australia**Jan 2020–May 2020**

- Reported on environmental degradation and solutions in Queensland Australia; upcoming publications on oyster reef restoration, on sustainable agriculture, and Australian food export markets in ABC Queensland News.

Projects

Co-Founder | Saving Madagascar Together | Darwin Animal Doctors**Nov 2018–Present**

- An integrative youth environmental education program and an educator curriculum and guide for schools in Andasibe, Madagascar.
- United Nations Representative for Darwin Animal Doctors in NGO Major Group (toward the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals).

Founder and Curator | Enviro-Art Gallery Showcase**Apr 2017–Present**

- The Enviro-Art Gallery is a showcase of student and professional artwork designed to highlight the beauty and struggles of nature. It presents art as a call to action, working to connect people to places, ecosystems, and international experiences of nature through engaging visual dialogues.
- The 2021 showcase is going global with virtual gallery space and speaker series with communities across the U.S., Australia, China, and more. Includes art showcase, videos, podcasts, and workshops produced by student advocates and community members.
- Producing a short documentary and research project on the use of diverse communicative strategy in engaging people in eco-issues.
- ceosites.wixsite.com/ducu/enviro-art-gallery-expansion

Author | “The Hidden Hum: An anthropological anthology cataloguing the harmony of people, place, and planet” Sept 2020–Present

- This is a creative non-fiction narrative anthology: a series of memories, experiences, and stories as told from individuals of diverse background, religion, culture, race, and nationality, discussing their ties to land, place, and nature. This book hopes to draw connections between the human experience and natural landscapes, highlighting that inherent in the human condition is a physical, spiritual, or justice-oriented relationship to the planet. In that acknowledgement, this book works to encourage greater environmental stewardship.

Additional Leadership, Awards, and Honors

- Second Day Impact Fellow Jan 2021
- Community Committee Chair for the Duke Bridge | Creative content and media for and by women of color May 2020–Present
- Doris Duke Conservation Scholar @ University of California Santa Cruz March 2019–Present
- Ron Brown Scholars Program Captain and Network Member Apr 2017–Present
- \$1,000 AU and Third Place Finalist for Bond University’s World’s Challenge Challenge: The Global Eco-Arts Hub March 2020
- AAAS Mass Media Fellowship Semi-Finalist Jan 2020
- Undergraduate Representative | Duke Campus Sustainability Committee Sept 2018–Jan 2020
- Member of Duke Judicial Board on behalf of the Nicholas School for the Environment Oct 2019