

Derek Richardson

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EDUCATION

Washburn University, Topeka, KS

Bachelor of Arts in Mass Media with an emphasis in Contemporary Journalism, Minor in History
Graduation: May 2017

Johnson County Community College, Overland Park, KS

Associate of Science in General Sciences
Graduation: May 2015

EXPERIENCE

SpaceFlight Insider, www.spaceflightinsider.com

Sept. 2015 - Present

- *Managing Editor - Spring 2016 to Present*
- *Writer - Fall 2015 to Spring 2016*

Manages content flow on the website by coordinating with other editors on when to schedule stories. Assigns and edits other writer's stories throughout the week. When needed, writes breaking news content.

Washburn Review, Topeka, KS

Sept. 2014 - Dec. 2016

- *Writer - Fall 2014 to Spring 2015, Fall 2016*
- *Associate News Editor - Spring 2016*
- *Managing Editor - Fall 2015*

Currently designs pages and mentor others in leadership positions. When needed, also writes content. When Managing Editor, was coordinating what stories to write and when. Tasks ranged from helping brainstorm, assign and edit stories. Played a critical role in designing news pages.

Pizza Hut, Olathe, KS

Aug. 2009 - Jan. 2014

- *Manager*

Instructed others on what to do. Set up equipment and prepared food for evening rush. Mentored other employees wishing to excel. Spoke with customers to ensure their experience was positive.

SKILLS

Editing/Writing

- Knows Associated Press style writing
- Writes news stories quickly and accurately
- Able to talk with and interview people and conduct research
- Blogs frequently

Technical

- Experienced in editing databases and documents for accuracy
- Strong experience with Microsoft Office and Google Docs
- Strong experience with most Adobe products: InDesign, Premiere Pro, and Illustrator
- Able to write, film, edit and finish videos
- Knowledgeable in HTML and CSS
- Understands the importance of Search Engine Optimization

EXTRACURRICULAR

Orbital Velocity, www.orbital-velocity.com

June 2016 - Present

Creating and building a "living time capsule" about the International Space Station. The website is intended to ultimately be one-stop place for information about the ISS. Currently setting up the overall structure of the website and synthesizing content into clean and understandable copy and video.

SpaceUp Kansas

Apr. 2012 - Apr. 2013

Worked with others to help plan and organize a space-themed unconference (user-generated conference). Created an environment for people to get together and discuss space-related topics.