

Benjamin Brachfeld

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EDUCATION

New York University, College of Arts and Science
Bachelor of Arts, Politics + Economics
GPA: 3.7

May 2019

EXPERIENCE

Contributing Reporter, Gotham Gazette

Feb 2017-May 2019

- NYPD credentialed.
- Report on city and state government, attend government hearings, produce transcriptions, and conduct research. Wrote nearly 100 articles in a two-year timespan while also a full-time student
- Coverage areas include government reform, elections, state agencies, transit, criminal justice reform, education, land use, and others.
- Write daily "Eye-Opener" newsletter and weekly "Week Ahead" post
- Produced 2017 election guide in concert with WNYC and City Limits

Political Editor, NYU Local

Sept 2016-Sept 2018

- Covered the administration and developments on campus, student activist groups, and happenings in the city. Wrote over 60 articles and edited dozens more.
- Wrote reports, features, reviews, and satire
- Coverage picked up by: NBC New York, New York Magazine, New York Daily News, DNAinfo, and others
- Managed the publication's social media presence

EXTRACURRICULARS

Democracy Coach, Generation Citizen

Feb 2016-Dec 2016

- Taught students in New York City classrooms to be engaged in the political process, produced weekly lesson plans, and assisted students in developing a project
- Class project won in citywide competition for best high school project, May 2016

SKILLS

Excel, Medium, Stata, HTML, CSS, Python, Salesforce, G Suite
Conversational and written Spanish
Transcription

REFERENCES

Ben Max : Executive Editor, Gotham Gazette : bmax@gothamgazette.com : 860-833-0852
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