

Sara Reardon

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EDUCATION

University of Washington - Seattle, Washington | Master of Science
Molecular and Cellular Biology, Mar 2011

Southern Illinois University - Carbondale, Illinois | Master of Science
Physiology, Aug 2008

Southern Illinois University - Carbondale, Illinois | Bachelor of Science
Microbiology, May 2007

WORK HISTORY

SENIOR REPORTER, BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AND POLICY | 2013 to Current
Nature - Washington, DC

- Work out of Nature's DC bureau covering the US National Institutes of Health and other government bodies, biomedical research including neuroscience and microbiology, and general news in biomedicine
- Build relationships with sources in government, advocacy organizations, industry and the scientific research community
- Pitch and write short and feature-length pieces for magazine and online
- Assist with editing online news pieces
- Contribute footage and audio to multimedia pieces

US REPORTER | 2012 to 2013
New Scientist - San Francisco, California

- Worked out of New Scientist's west coast bureau covering life science, biomedical research, environment, and U.S. current affairs
- Wrote news stories under embargo deadlines for magazine and online, including blogs
- Pitched and wrote short and feature-length news and analysis pieces for print magazine
- Contributed occasional audio pieces and assisted with information graphics.

NEWS WRITER | 2011 to 2012
Science - Cambridge, UK

- Interned for six months before being hired as UK correspondent
- Worked independently out of Science's European bureau in Cambridge, England, covering European science policy and research news
- Wrote news stories under embargo deadlines for ScienceNOW and ScienceInsider
- Occasionally edited online pieces, wrote reviews, performed podcast interviews.

NEWS INTERN | 2010 to 2011
Fermi National Accelerator Lab - Batavia, Illinois

- Worked with Fermilab communications staff to find, research, and write news stories for the newsletter Fermilab Today under daily deadline
- Wrote features for symmetry magazine and blog pieces for symmetrybreaking.

COMMUNICATIONS INTERN | 2010 to 2010

Washington Sea Grant - Seattle, WA

- Performed a summer internship with the Washington Sea Grant, researching and writing articles for its publication, *Sea Star*

CONTRIBUTING WRITER | 2009 to 2010

Northwest Science & Technology - Seattle, WA

- Wrote news and feature articles on current, regional scientific research and news for *NWS&T*.
- Assisted editor with articles written by other writers and journalism students, fact checking, copyediting, and HTML coding for the website

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT | 01/2008 to 2011

University of Washington - Seattle, Washington

- Perform research on development and neural regeneration of the mammalian retina
- Received National Institutes of Health Predoctoral Training Grant to fund my research
- Received excellent student and primary instructor evaluations for independently teaching two sections of a 300-level undergraduate writing and discussion course in biology.

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT | 08/2007 to 2008

Southern Illinois University - Carbondale, Illinois

- Performed master's research on embryonic development and transcriptional regulation in knockout mice
- Received highly competitive SIU Chancellor's Graduate Fellowship to fund my own research
- Directed a team of three undergraduates on a research project
- Received excellent student evaluations for my independent teaching of a 200-level undergraduate lab course in physiology
- Completed Master of Science degree in one year.

SKILLS

- Working proficiency in Spanish
- InCopy, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Dreamweaver, and basic HTML coding
- Comfortable with digital photography and basic photo editing
- Experienced with social media (@sara_reardon)

PROFESSIONAL/VOLUNTEER AFFILIATIONS

- Volunteer editor at Street Sense
- DC Science Writers Association - Treasurer
- National Press Club - Young Members Committee member
- National Association of Science Writers

AWARDS

- Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting Grantee 2018