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EDUCATION

Boston University, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies *May 2027*
Bachelor of Arts, International Relations | GPA: 3.5 | Concentration: Foreign Policy and Security Studies

Sciences Po Paris — Exchange Student, Paris, France *Academic Year 2025–2026*

Relevant Coursework: Congress and National Security, Strategic Intelligence, Intelligence and Homeland Security, International Economics

EXPERIENCE

InSurge Intelligence LLC | Boston, MA *August 2025 – Present*
Founder

- Founded and incorporated a political intelligence platform that makes a business's existing government exposure visible across regulatory, legislative, and campaign finance activity, launching California-first.
- Built the product end to end as sole developer: a TypeScript and Next.js application over a Python data layer integrating Cal-Access, FPPC NetFile, FEC, and California legislative records into a single queryable interface.

Wikistrat | Washington, DC *May 2026 – August 2026*
Intelligence Research Intern

- Managed geopolitical wargaming simulations for a network of 2,000+ subject-matter experts, coordinating scenario inputs and tracking analytical output across concurrent exercises on regional conflict, political risk, and global stability.
- Produced risk assessments and strategic forecasting reports by synthesizing expert simulation outputs, identifying emerging threat vectors across regional conflict, political instability, and economic disruption scenarios.

Swing Strategies | Sacramento, CA *May 2026 – September 2026*
Public Affairs Fellow

- Designed and built proprietary AI-powered research tooling in Python that automated stakeholder mapping, FPPC compliance tracking, and legislative summarization, cutting manual research time across multiple statewide public affairs accounts.
- Conducted campaign finance research across 100+ California candidates, tracking PAC and independent expenditure contributions through FEC, Cal-Access, and FPPC NetFile to support client strategy and regulatory compliance.

O'Neill & Associates | Boston, MA *September 2025 – December 2025*
Government Relations Intern

- Tracked and analyzed pending federal legislation across multiple client accounts, researching stakeholder positions and coalition dynamics to prepare regulatory briefings ahead of client-facing strategy sessions.

Forty45 Management | San Francisco / Oakland, CA *May 2025 – September 2025*
Government Relations and Strategy Intern

- Identified a gap in the firm's property management operations and built and deployed a web portal from scratch, now in active use managing 12 investment properties across the Bay Area.
- Conducted legislative and regulatory research, built stakeholder coalitions, and engaged directly with Emeryville City Council on a multimodal infrastructure dispute affecting local light industrial businesses.

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

Border Youth Tennis Exchange | San Francisco, CA — Board Member *September 2022 – Present*

- Serve on the board of a nonprofit using tennis and cross-border exchange to build community ties along the U.S.-Mexico border.

Boston Political Review | Boston, MA — Writer and Editor *August 2023 – Present*

- Create weekly editorial news content for a nonpartisan, student-run platform focused on foreign policy and international affairs.

BU Division I Tennis | Team Manager — ITF career-high ranking: top 300 USA, top 1,000 world *2024 – 2025*

SKILLS & LANGUAGES

Technical: Python, SQL, TypeScript/JavaScript, React, Next.js, Git, Vercel; API and data integration across FEC, Cal-Access, FPPC NetFile, and California legislative records

Research Tools: LexisNexis, Quorum, Politico Pro, VoteSmart, GovTrack, Salesforce, Qualtrics, OSINT methodologies

Languages: English (native) • Spanish (nearly fluent) • Hebrew (nearly fluent) • Arabic (beginning)