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I wish to gain intensive film industry experience, enhance my skills as an independent filmmaker, and work alongside seasoned professionals, gaining critical insight into the industry and how feature films are put together on a large scale.

EDUCATION

Loyola University Chicago

Major: Film and Digital Media - *School of Communication*
Minors: Finance & Management - *Quinlan School of Business*

Chicago, IL
GPA: 4.0
Expected May 2027

HONORS & AWARDS

Outstanding Student in Producing | School of Communication
Damen Scholarship
Loyola University Chicago Dean's List
Sharon Walsh Essay Contest | 2nd Place
Accounting Principles Excellence Award

April 2026
Fall 2023 – Present
Fall 2023 – Present
Spring 2024
Fall 2024

SKILLS

- Proficient in Adobe Audition, Premiere Pro, Microsoft Excel, and camera, lighting, and audio equipment
- Script breakdowns, coverage, budgeting, shooting schedules, team management, producing, and cinematography

LEADERSHIP & EXPERIENCE

SOCAPA Summer Camp

Teaching Assistant and Resident Assistant

Manhattan, NY
June 2026 - August 2026

- Assist teachers in teaching filmmaking classes to students aged 15-18
- Oversee students film shoots in New York City

Collaboration Film Project

Producer – Jack-O'-Jungle Juice

Chicago, IL
March 2025 – April 2026

- Successfully pitched the project to a committee of Loyola film professors for approval
- *Preproduction*: assigned 25 crew members, crowdfunded \$7,000 and was awarded a \$1,500 grant, budgeted \$8,500 across all departments, negotiated and secured a month-long filming location rental, conducted workshops with department heads to enhance skills, created an extensive shooting schedule and meal plan for production
- *Production*: led all aspects of production, solved all technological, financial, and scheduling issues as they arose
- *Post-Production*: served as post-production supervisor and sound designer

Senior Capstone/Thesis Films

Serving as the Producer for three upcoming senior capstone/thesis films

Chicago, IL
January 2026 - April 2026

Rambler Workshops

Co-creator & Co-lead - Student Organization and Part-Time Position

Chicago, IL
January 2026 - Present

- Pitched to the full-time film faculty and created a new, paid, student position
- We host bi-weekly workshops providing supplemental instruction to film students on screenwriting, pitching, utilizing equipment and software, script coverage, navigating stages of production, and more

Loyola Technology Committee

Sole Student Representative - School of Communication Tech Committee

Chicago, IL
March 2026 - Present

Student Community Board

Board Chairperson – Part-Time Position in the Office of SRCR

Chicago, IL
August 2025 – Present

- Manage conflict and conduct cases reported to the Office of the Dean of Students

Twin Cities Film Fest

Summer Internship

Minneapolis, MN
Summer 2024

- Camera operator and production assistant on “Stories Behind the Menu,” “Actor Expo,” and “Pride Film Fest” events

Kowalski's Markets

Front End Supervisor – Part-Time

Woodbury, MN
May 2022 – August 2024

- Coordinated front-end operations and refined communication and problem-solving skills through the management of customer expectations, employee conflicts, and more

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