

# Julia Park

Gig Harbor + breaking  
news reporter

*Tacoma, WA*

## EDUCATION

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2020–2024

University of Washington

B.A. in English

B.A. in Journalism

Minor in Korean

Interdisciplinary Honors

Study abroad in Seoul

Cum. GPA: 3.99

## SKILLS

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### Professional

SEO

CUE (CMS)

Social media

Basic photo + video editing

Datawrapper

### Languages

Korean (intermediate)

## CONTACTS

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## PROFILE

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Early-career reporter for a mid-sized daily newspaper in western Washington state. Versatile, responsive writer skilled at switching between the evening breaking news shift and the daily demands of a general community news beat, with experience covering city and county government, education and business along with traffic, crime and cops.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Gig Harbor Reporter | Tacoma News Tribune

*Aug. 2024–present, Tacoma, WA*

Beat writer for the small waterfront town of Gig Harbor and the rural Key Peninsula in west Pierce County. Developed a strong understanding of the region's rapid growth and demographic shifts through stories ranging from the affordable housing shortage to bullying in local schools. Also the evening breaking news reporter for traffic, fire and crime from 4-7 p.m. Mon–Fri.

### News Intern | Tacoma News Tribune

*June–Aug. 2024, Tacoma, WA*

Pitched stories about local schools, parks, events and city government. Published 3-4 stories a week; worked on a project about a traffic concern impacting older adults' access to a local cemetery off of a state highway.

### News Intern | Cascade PBS

*March–June 2024, Seattle, WA*

Wrote 17 candidate bios for the 2024 Cascade PBS Voter Guide for the August primary. Completed five stories about Seattle / statewide issues.

### Staff Writer | The Daily of the University of Washington

*Jan. 2021–June 2024, Seattle, WA*

40+ clips covering hard and soft news, including a six-month stint as the University District beat writer covering business and public safety just off campus.

### Freelance Writer | Various Seattle publications

*Sept. 2023–June 2024, Seattle, WA*

Bylines in local digital outlets including the South Seattle Emerald, The International Examiner and The Seattle Medium, with a focus on grassroots movements and nonprofits in diverse Seattle neighborhoods.