

# CODY KITAURA

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- objective:** • To obtain a position writing and integrating video, podcasts and other multimedia with traditional journalistic stories.
- summary:** • Creative and clear-thinking journalist with an excellent ability to create user-oriented multimedia elements.  
• Strong foundation of creative researching techniques and fluid, compelling writing.
- experience:** • **Staff writer.** *Elk Grove Citizen*. July 2009 - present. Closely covered city government activities, community events and breaking news, utilizing multimedia.  
• **Freelance writer.** *Lincoln News Messenger*. January 2009 – July 2009. Wrote stories on short notice on complex local issues, environmental disputes and business.  
• **Online managing editor.** *The State Hornet*, California State University, Sacramento. June 2007 – May 2008. Led complete redesign of Web site and developed vision for online presence. Produced and edited video, podcasts and audio slideshows. Guided and evaluated section editors.  
• **Features editor.** *The State Hornet*, California State University, Sacramento. February 2007 – May 2007. Edited stories for content and AP style, worked with writers to improve skills, developed weekly budgets and story ideas.  
• **Copy editor.** *The State Hornet*, California State University, Sacramento. January 2007 – February 2007. Edited stories for AP style and clarity.  
• **News writer** *The State Hornet*, California State University, Sacramento. August 2006 – December 2006. Wrote stories and created accompanying graphics on budget issues, Greek life, student activities.
- multimedia:** • *Audio editing* – proficient in SONAR, Logic, Ableton Live, Audacity, Garage Band.  
• *Audio recording* – extensive experience with live sound, studio and field recording.  
• *Video editing* – proficient in Final Cut Express/Pro, iMovie; limited experience with Premiere.  
• *Audio slideshows* – proficient in SoundSlides.  
• *Also proficient in:* Photoshop, Illustrator, Acrobat, Dreamweaver, Excel.
- awards:** • Associated Collegiate Press: 2008 Online Pacemaker Winner  
• 2008 Associated Collegiate Press National College Newspaper Convention: Best of Show - Web site (fourth place), audio podcast (third place), four-year weekly broadsheet (seventh place).  
• The State Hornet: Above the Fold Award – spring 2007  
• The State Hornet: Editor in Chief Award – fall 2006  
• 2005 Journalism Association of Community Colleges: General Excellence, Tabloid
- education:** • California State University, Sacramento – bachelor's degree in journalism, Magna Cum Laude.
- organizations:** • Asian American Journalists Association – member, June 2008 - present