

# Jordan Sklar

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## Education

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### University of Wisconsin - Madison

Bachelor of Science, May 2026

Major: Science Communications

Certificates: Digital Studies, Criminal Justice

GPA: 3.66/4.0

## Career Summary

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Health and science-focused communications professional with experience translating complex scientific and policy information into accessible, audience-centered messaging. Background in media and expert research, stakeholder communications, and client support in fast-paced environments. Motivated to apply strategic communications skills to initiatives that drive meaningful impact in health and public policy.

## Professional Experience

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### University of Wisconsin: Center for Law, Society and Justice

Madison, WI

*Interdisciplinary academic center focused on legal systems, public policy, and justice-related research and programming.*

#### Communications Projects Intern

May 2025 - January 2026

- Supported execution of digital communications initiatives serving 75 prospective students.
- Created external-facing materials, including digital modules and program updates in collaboration with senior team members.
- Worked closely with faculty to translate complex program information into clear, audience-first messaging.
- Assisted with project tracking and logistics, flagging potential issues and opportunities for further analysis.

### RISE (Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment)

Arlington, VA

*National trade association representing the specialty pesticide and pest management industry.*

#### Communications and Policy Intern

May 2025 - September 2025

- Monitored legislative, regulatory, and advocacy developments, identifying key public policy and industry-related trends.
- Synthesized findings into stakeholder newsletters and reports, translating complex policy content into clear communications.
- Supported public affairs and advocacy communications, including drafting summaries and messaging.
- Managed event logistics, outreach, and stakeholder engagement, contributing to a 40% year-over-year increase in registration.

### The Badger Herald

Madison, WI

*One of the nation's largest independent student-run newspapers serving the University of Wisconsin-Madison community.*

#### Associate Editor & Science Writer

August 2023 - January 2025

- Pitched, researched, and wrote 12+ articles translating complex science/health topics for broad audiences.
- Monitored science trends and edited content for clarity and accuracy while managing contributor deadlines.
- Interviewed researchers, scientists, and subject-matter experts to ensure credibility, accuracy, and clarity.

### Morgridge Institute for Research

Madison, WI

*Private, nonprofit biomedical research institute affiliated with the University of Wisconsin-Madison.*

#### Science Writer

May 2024 - August 2024

- Developed long-form, public-facing features highlighting federally funded research initiatives.
- Collaborated with scientists and experts to translate complex technical information into clear, accessible communications.
- Produced media-ready content to support event promotion, conference communications, and enhance institutional visibility.

## Skills

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- **Science Communication:** translating complex research and policy into clear, accessible communications for diverse audiences
- **Client Support:** project tracking, meeting notes, agendas, logistics, and recaps
- **Writing & Editing:** first-draft deliverables, newsletters, summaries, and fact-based messaging
- **Research & Monitoring:** media monitoring, policy tracking, issue and trend analysis