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# Wyatt King

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## Education

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**Columbia University, Columbia College**

*New York, NY May 2026*

BA – Joint Major in Political Science & Statistics

GPA: 4.03

*Selected Coursework:* Senior Honors Seminar; Theories of War and Peace (PhD Seminar); American Foreign Policy; Indian Foreign Policy; Quantitative Political Research I & II; Applied Linear Regression; Applied Bayesian Methods; Applied Machine Learning.

*Honors:* Phi Beta Kappa; Charles A. Beard Prize (best paper in political science, 2026); Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Student Scholar; Departmental Honors; Dean's List (all semesters); Pi Sigma Alpha.

## Work Experience

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**NBC News**

**Editorial and Production Intern**

*September 2024 – April 2025*

At *Top Story with Tom Llamas*, I wrote anchor tells, sourced video content from wire services and social media, and edited short news segments. I researched news packages for producers, assisting on stories ranging from M23's encirclement of Goma to South Korea's martial law crisis.

**Columbia Daily Spectator**

**Video Journalist**

*September 2022 – December 2024*

I led a team of 12 student journalists through the process of researching, writing, and producing videos for the *Spectator's* social platforms. During my time on staff, I covered the Columbia protests, including the encampment, occupation of Hamilton Hall, and the related arrests. Videos I produced, wrote, and edited have been viewed over 1.5 million times across Instagram, YouTube, and TikTok, and my reporting has been cited in national media outlets, including *The New York Times*.

**PEN America**

**Free Expression Leadership Fellow**

*May 2024 – August 2024*

Working with PEN's Digital Safety team, I researched, copy edited, and fact-checked a report on how natural language processing can be leveraged to better protect journalists and writers from identity-based hate, harassment, and intimidation online. I assisted the team as they offered anti-harassment training to professional newsrooms and advocated for social media companies to adopt policies that better protect journalists from threats of violence.

**William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty**

**Data Analysis Intern**

*May 2023 – August 2023*

Using data retrieved from the Multiple Listings Service, public tax records, and web scraping, I created databases for real estate agents that bolstered their ability to advertise properties, evaluate local markets, and understand client retention. I used R and Python to automate processes that were previously done manually, helping to get agents and office managers out from behind their computer screens and back to working with clients.

## Research

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### Senior Thesis

*September 2025 – April 2026*

I conducted a survey experiment using Qualtrics and Prolific to test how identity-based arguments and knowledge of India's no-first-use policy alter support for a hypothetical nuclear first strike. The project entailed writing survey instruments, constructing composite indices using inverse covariance weighting and principal component analysis, and running regression and interaction-effects models to analyze treatment heterogeneity. My thesis was awarded the Charles A. Beard Prize as the best paper in Columbia's political science department for the 2025–26 academic year. The final paper is available [here](#).

### Skills

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<b>Programming</b>	R, SAS, Excel, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, HTML
<b>Tools</b>	GitHub, Qualtrics, Prolific, Amazon MTurk
<b>Multimedia &amp; News</b>	Adobe Premiere Pro, After Effects, Lightroom, iNews
<b>Languages</b>	English (native), French (limited working proficiency)

### Hobbies & Interests

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Running, reading (ask me about *Moby Dick*), photography, longing for Acadia and the White Mountains.

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