

JUSTIN DIEP

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EDUCATION

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Bachelor of Journalism: Triple Major: Journalism, Advertising and Public Relations, Broadcasting-Media Production

Anticipated Graduation: May 2027

EXPERIENCE

Lincoln Journal Star | Lincoln, NE

News Intern | Aug. 2026 – Present

News Intern | Aug. 2024 – May 2025

- Covered local business, political races and breaking news in Nebraska's state capitol.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch | St. Louis, MO

News Intern | Jun. 2026 – Aug. 2026

- Covered public safety, local and federal courts and the St. Louis metro for Missouri's largest daily newspaper.
- Reported on a 102-page internal investigative report that contradicts official statements about a St. Louis County jail riot.

The Daily Nebraskan | Lincoln, NE

Assistant News Editor & Photographer | Nov. 2025 – Present

Senior News Reporter & Photographer | Nov. 2024 – Oct. 2025

Government Watchdog Reporter & Photographer | Aug. 2023 – Nov. 2024

- Led 25-part accountability series on UNL's \$27.5M budget crisis, breaking an exclusive on leaked internal documents that exposed flawed data behind program cuts.
- Beat coverage of the University of Nebraska Board of Regents, university administration and student government.
- Shot news and sports photography, including protests, fires, Nebraska football, basketball, and volleyball at the 2024 NCAA semifinals tournament.

Jacht Ad Agency | Lincoln, NE

Videographer | Jan. 2026 – Present

- Produced videos for clients and supported internal marketing content for the student-run advertising agency.

Omaha World-Herald | Omaha, NE

News Intern | Jun. 2025 – May 2026

- Reported on an ICE raid at an Omaha meatpacking plant and its aftermath; ranked among top-viewed authors across Lee Enterprises' 77 daily papers in June.
- Received an honorable mention in the 2026 AAJA Student Excellence in Written Reporting for "Most of the workers rounded up by ICE at Omaha food plant had no prior criminal history"

Enterprise Media Group | Blair, NE

Reporting Intern | May 2024 – Aug. 2024

- Covered business, agriculture and weather across eastern Nebraska and western Iowa as part of UNL's rural Nebraska Journalism Program.

E&A Consulting Group Inc. | Omaha, NE

Marketing Intern | Jun. 2022 – Jan. 2024

- Assisted the marketing team with branding needs across social media, graphics, video, website updates and presentations for the Omaha-based civil engineering firm.