

Sara Leon
2-year Reporter of the Year submission
Fullerton College

NEWS STORY:

Associate degree requirements: The topic dividing Fullerton College

<https://fchornetmedia.com/31420/showcase/associate-degree-requirements-the-topic-dividing-fullerton-college/>

FEATURE STORY:

How the FC tech club won a NASA competition

<https://fchornetmedia.com/31698/showcase/how-the-fc-tech-club-won-a-nasa-competition/>

TWO ADDITIONAL STORIES:

Review: FC Opera stuns with a chilling message of freedom

<https://fchornetmedia.com/29999/arts-and-culture/review-fc-opera-stuns-with-a-chilling-message-of-freedom/>

L.A. Jews and allies shut down Hollywood intersection to protest for Palestine

<https://fchornetmedia.com/26651/showcase/l-a-jews-and-allies-shut-down-hollywood-intersection-to-protest-for-palestine/>

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EXPERIENCE

The Hornet, Fullerton College — Staff Writer

August 2022 - December 2022

Starting out as a staff writer on The Hornet newspaper, I wrote a total of 11 articles ranging from the arts, sports, news, lifestyle, and multimedia.

The Hornet, Fullerton College — Arts and Culture Editor

August 2023 - December 2023

I was brought into the position of Arts and Culture Editor because of my personal experience in performing arts and my experience in writing for that specific desk. Under my tutelage, 33 articles were published in a span of 16 weeks for A&C.

The Hornet, Fullerton College — Managing Editor

January 2023 - May 2023, January 2024 - Present

After my time as a staff writer, I was put into the position of managing editor where, with the help of my advisor, I set up a mobile app for The Hornet, helped with the design of the website, and set up The Hornet's staff profiles and photos on our site. After being the arts and culture editor and giving up my position to free up more time for other classes for the Fall 2023 semester, I am now the current managing editor of The Hornet.

Journalism Association of Community Colleges — Southern California Student Representative

January 2023 - Present

During the ACP Spring National College Media Conference of 2023, I ran and was elected to become the new JACC So-Cal Student Representative. During my time as an elected official, I have helped to set up the Fall College Media Conference and have been working on a substack site that connects all media from the colleges that are a part of JACC together.

SKILLS

Newswriting and Editing
Experience

Multimedia Editing
Experience

On-Camera Experience

Leadership Experience

AWARDS

[College Media Association News Website of the Year](#)

(managing editor during time
of judging) Second Place

[Journalism Association of Community Colleges Award for Best Podcast](#) Honorable Mention

[Journalism Association of Community Colleges Award for Profile Feature Story](#)

Honorable Mention

Journalism Association of
Community Colleges
On-The-Spot Award for
Opinion Writing Fourth Place

LANGUAGES

English

EDUCATION

Troy High School, Fullerton, CA — *High School Diploma*

August 2018 - May 2022

Fullerton College, Fullerton, CA — *Journalism AA-T*

August 2022 - Present

PROJECTS

California Humanities Emerging Journalist Fellowship

In January of 2024, I was brought on with three other journalism students to participate in the Cal Humanities Emerging Journalist Fellowship in which our school was awarded the opportunity to participate in. As of now, the project is currently still in progress.