# Gracie Warda

College student journalist with high honors and leadership skills.

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#### **EXPERIENCE**

# Fenton InPrint, Fenton — Online Editor in Chief

September 2016 - May 2020

I was on my high school's newspaper staff for four years, beginning as a writer and working my way up.

### Culvers, Fenton — Crew Member

October 2017 - June 2018

At Culver's, I gained experience in the customer service industry and learned to better work in a team.

### Leo's Coney Island, Fenton — Server

June 2018 - March 2020

Waitressing has helped me learn how to multitask, time manage, prioritize tasks and lead groups.

## Michigan Times, Flint — Reporter

January 2020 - April 2020

I worked roughly 8 hours a week writing and editing

### Tri-County Times, Fenton — Intern

October 2017 - May 2019

I was responsible for interviewing strangers for the weekly section "Street Talk."

### The Berkeley Beacon, Boston — Writer

September 2020 - December 2020

I write about a variety of topics for my college newspaper.

# Emertainment Monthly, Boston — Music Editor

September 2020 - Present

I edit stories in the "Music" section of this college magazine.

### Emerson Review, Boston — Reader

September 2020 - Present

As a reader, I critique creative writing submissions and vote on which ones should be published.

### PF Chang's, Boston — Server

September 2020 - Present

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### **EDUCATION**

### **Emerson College, Boston, MA**

August 2020 - Present

I attend Emerson College as a Journalism major with a minor in Writing, Literature and Publishing.

# Fenton High School (FHS) — Senior

September 2016 - May 2020

My 3.91 cumulative Grade Point Average at FHS is from both AP, dual enrolled, and IB core classes and electives.

### University of Michigan, Flint — Dual Enrolled

January 2019 - April 2020

I took 6 credits in addition to being a full-time high school student, and attained a 4.0 GPA in all of my college courses.

# Michigan Interscholastic Press Association (MIPA) and Columbia Scholastic Press Association (CSPA)

September 2016 - May 2020

I have taken seminars and workshops through CSPA and MIPA that have taught me about writing, editing, design and leadership.

### **SKILLS**

- Leadership and taking initiative
- Proficiency in Google Apps Productivity Suite, Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite, App Inventor, Visual Basic and iMovie.
- Organization and planning
- Public speaking
- AP Style

#### ACTIVITIES

### National Honor Society (NHS) — Treasurer

April 2018 - May 2020

I am an active member of Fenton's chapter of NHS, and I became treasurer for my second year.

# Michigan Interscholastic Press Association (MIPA) All-State Student Advisory Cohort — Member

August 2020 - May 2020

After being recommended by their advisers, this cohort connects student journalists from across the state to visit news sources and collaborate on their work.

# University of Michigan - Flint Debate Team — Member

October 2019 - March 2020

As a dual enrolled student, I am able to participate in college extracurriculars, like the debate team, where we travel to tournaments across the country.

### The Warda Foundation — Secretary

September 2016 - Present

My family is very involved in the community, so we founded a non-profit organization to fund the various events that we participate in, like the CommUNITY Thanksgiving lunch and Project Santa.

### Junior Journalism — Student Adviser

September 2017 - June 2018

As founder and Student Adviser of Junior Journalism club, I was responsible for teaching middle schoolers the basics of journalism.

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#### **AWARDS**

# Michigan Interscholastic Press Association (MIPA) Individual Awards

I was awarded two <u>"Sparty Awards"</u> and one <u>"Excellence Award"</u> for my work at their summer workshop and several <u>individual placement awards</u> for my work as a student journalist. Additionally, I am one of 15 students statewide on their <u>Student Journalism Staff</u>, and I was one of six students to receive an <u>All-MIPA award</u>, and was named the top <u>Digital Media journalist in the state</u>.

### **Journalism Honor Roll**

I was recognized by the <u>National Scholastic Press</u>
<u>Association</u> for my combined work as a student and journalist.

### **Fenton InPrint Staff Awards**

The staff was awarded the highest honor from both the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association (<u>Spartan Award</u>) and the Columbia Scholastic Press Association (<u>Gold Crown Award</u>) for the entire staff's work.