

## Deborah J. Balthazar

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### EDUCATION

<p><b>New York University</b> M.A. in Journalism; Science, Health and Environmental Reporting</p>	<p><b>Sept. 2021 – December 2022</b> <b>New York, New York</b></p>
<p><b>Caldwell University</b> B.A. in Biology (Pre-Med) ; Minor(s): English &amp; Chemistry President Tri-Beta National Biological Honor Society, Rho Mu Chapter GPA: 3.62/4.0, <i>cum laude</i> ; Caldwell University Scholarship</p>	<p><b>Aug. 2013 – May 2017</b> <b>Caldwell, New Jersey</b></p>

### JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

<p><b>Copy Editor</b> <b>Scienceline.org</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read through pieces before publication to catch spelling, grammar, and AP style mistakes.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Nov. 2021 – Present</b> <b>New York, New York</b></p>
<p><b>Freelance Reporter</b> <b>TAPinto.net</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wrote, reported, pitched articles related to local government.</li> <li>• Conducted interviews for feature articles.</li> <li>• Promoted local businesses and organizations in West Orange and surrounding communities.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Dec. 2018 – Aug. 2021</b> <b>West Orange, New Jersey</b></p>

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

<p><b>Undergraduate Research Student</b> <b>Caldwell University Department of Natural Sciences</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Studied the effects of toothbrush contamination and suggested solutions for toothbrush decontamination; grew and identified bacteria through morphology.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> place Outstanding Poster Presentation Award, Independent College Fund of New Jersey (ICFNJ) Undergraduate Research Symposium, <b>March 2017</b></li> <li>• ICFNJ Undergraduate Research Symposium Grant, <b>Fall 2016</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>Sept. 2016 – May 2017</b> <b>Caldwell, New Jersey</b></p>
<p><b>Undergraduate Research Assistant</b> <b>Diversity Summer Internship Program</b> <b>Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted research at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (JHSPH) as part of Diversity Summer Internship Program (DSIP) that was funded by Caldwell University.</li> <li>• Collected data on Maryland food recovery efforts and its effect on food waste as a Diversity Summer Intern with the Maryland Food System Mapping Project (MFSMP) team in the Center for a Livable Future.</li> <li>• Published a blog post based on research topic on Center for a Livable Future Blog. (Title: <a href="#">How the Bill Emerson Act Can Reduce Wasted Food</a>)</li> <li>• Did a short clinical rotation at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in clinical immunology laboratory with Dr. Barbara Detrick learning about a variety of technologies used to diagnose and manage patients with immune-mediated-diseases</li> </ul>	<p><b>May 2015 – July 2015</b> <b>Baltimore, Maryland</b></p>

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<p><b>Substitute Teacher</b> <b>West Orange Public Schools</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Served as a long term replacement for a special education middle school science teacher on leave</li> <li>• Created engaging lesson plans and labs</li> <li>• Wrote assessments for special education students</li> <li>• Worked as a daily substitute for other teachers throughout the district</li> <li>• Designated as emergency daily sub for when teachers began hybrid schooling.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Nov. 2019 – March 2020; Feb. 2021 – Present</b> <b>West Orange, New Jersey</b></p>
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**Personal Tutor**

**Dec. 2014 – Aug. 2018**  
**West Orange, New Jersey**

- Assisted my father with his college courses in Business Administration and Management.
- Worked one-on-one in subjects including business statistics, business ethics, business law, finance, and marketing.

**Biology and Writing Tutor**  
**Caldwell University**

**Oct. 2015 – May 2017**  
**Caldwell, New Jersey**

- Mentored and assisted students with trouble areas in general biology, microbiology, environmental science, anatomy, physiology, ecology, and chemistry.
- Reviewed and corrected papers for grammatical errors at the “Write Place” writing center from a variety of courses including English, criminology, video editing, history, and math.

**Co-Lecturer**

**Caldwell University Department of Natural Sciences**

**March 2016**  
**Caldwell, New Jersey**

- Created a short lesson and PowerPoint presentation with fellow student and faculty members about the history and structure of DNA (Title: DNA: The Springy Blueprint of Life) for Founder’s Day.
- Created a series of interactive activities for participants to learn about the structure of DNA.

**SKILLS**

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- Journalism: AP Style
- Language Proficiencies: Conversational in French (can read and write); Conversational in Haitian Creole (can read and write)