

Mark R. Fletcher

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Professional Experience

The Hobbs News Sun February 2001-May 2002

- Covered local government in Hobbs, Eunice, Jal and Lovington New Mexico.
- Covered county government and the state legislature.
- Served as general assignment reporter covering cops and courts when needed
- Won awards in the Associated Press Managing Editors contest.

The Daily Mining Gazette November 2000-January 2001

- Served short time as cops and court reporter covering the Keweenaw region of Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Southwest Missouri State University 1998-2000

- Worked toward Master of Arts in Writing

The Springfield News-Leader 1997-1998

- Covered breaking news on deadline.
- Often wrote two or more stories with multiple deadlines.

The Springfield Business Journal, 1995-1997

- Wrote more than 10 stories as a freelance reporter.

The Southwest Standard, 1996-1997

- Covered breaking news on the Southwest Missouri State University campus.
- Won first place for news writing from the Missouri College Media Association.

Sylvan Learning Centers, 1995

- Worked as a teacher and teacher's aide and taught a variety of age groups in many skill areas.

Jarrett Junior High School, 1994

- Taught more than six sections of eighth-grade English.

Aurora High School, 1993

Awards

Journalism

- Third Place for feature writing in the New Mexico Associated Press Managing Editors news-writing contest. 2001
- Honorable Mention for investigative reporting in the New Mexico Associated Press Managing Editor's contest. 2001
- First place from Missouri College Missouri Association (MCMA) for news writing in 1996-1997.

Education

Partial Completion of Master's of Art in Writing, 2000 (Pending completion and acceptance of thesis.)

Bachelor of Science in History and English Education, August 1994.