

Brian Cohen

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Education

Syracuse University 2025 graduate
S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism
Minor: Sociology
Chancellor's Scholarship
Honor roll for four consecutive semesters

Skills

- Adobe Premiere Pro, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, XD, Lightroom
- Data Wrapper, HTML, GitHub, Visual Studio Code, Google Suite, CSS
- Word, Excel, PowerPoint
- Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, X, Snapchat
- Digital single-lens reflex camera competent
- MLA; AP Style
- Canva

Experience

Part-time reporter

Central Current; Aug 2024 to present

- Interview politicians, scholars, police and community members
- Write published investigative and breaking news stories on local politics and nonprofits
- Participate in editorial meetings to discuss story ideas, angles, SEO and reporting strategies
- Attend Syracuse Common Council and school board meetings, and eviction court to assist in reporting
- Read and interpret police misconduct records, I-90 forms, data sets and academic research

Newsroom Court Watch Intern

Baltimore Witness; Summer 2023

- Attended 2-4 Baltimore City Circuit Court hearings a day
- Reported on case updates in published articles
- Completed articles on deadline
- Requested court documents, searched government databases and spoke with lawyers and court staff to collect information

Co-editor-in-chief and Contributor

TENDER Magazine; Feb. 2023 to May 2025

- Organized a staff of 40 student writers, artists and graphic designers
- Facilitated feedback and content-building meetings
- Created schedules and maintained communication to ensure the magazine was printed and distributed once a semester on deadline
- Led and contributed to the graphic design team

Contributing Writer

Daily Orange; Aug. 2023 to Jan 2024

- Pitched and wrote articles bi-weekly for online and print publication in the opinion section of Syracuse University's campus newspaper
- Interviewed academics and relevant voices to gain new perspectives and inform focus
- Wrote in AP style, structured stories using the inverted pyramid and hyperlinked sources for transparency

Club President

Pride Union; Aug. 2022 to May 2025

- Organized, advertised and sourced funding for weekly social events geared or teach-ins toward LGBTQ+ students on campus
- Used social media to connect, engage and update students on events
- Scheduled talent for two annual top-funded campus drag shows
- Liaison between the Student Activities department and hired talent to develop contracts