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### Why did you choose to get an M.A. at CMU?

I decided to pursue an M.A. because I knew that I needed more training in professional communications before I started my career. As an English major in undergrad, I fell in love with persuasive writing, and as a marketing intern I began to discover the world of professional writing. I knew that CMU's program would greatly build my knowledge base in writing and design, so pursuing an M.A. made the most sense for me.

### How did your time at CMU prepare your job?

CMU's Professional Writing program allowed me to explore different avenues of communications: document design, multimedia, technical writing, journalism, and non-profit advocacy. Taking a variety of classes helped me feel confident that when I picked a specialty for my first job, it was the right choice for me. I never thought I would be a technical writer, but by the end of my time at CMU I had found a technical writing position that I absolutely love.

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