

# Jesse Lin

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## EXPERIENCE

**Community & Politics Reporter, *Green Bay Press-Gazette***      **Green Bay, WI | July 2024-Present**

- File 15 to 18 stories a month taking actions by local governments, politicians, nonprofits, and persons-of-interest into readable, clear stories to help residents navigate their lives
- Started a weekly “Watchdog Q&A” column in Sept. 2024 that’s consistently popular on social media and reliably ranks in the top 5 stories of the month by page views with returning visitors
- Covered the 2024 election in a swing state as a panelist in a televised 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District debate; day stories on candidate and surrogate campaign appearances; enterprise data analysis stories; and live blogging
- Covered the 2025 NFL Draft in Green Bay through live blogging and day stories

**Awards:** 2024 Wisconsin Newspaper Association “Better Newspaper Contest”: First Place, “Reporting on Local Government”; Second Place, “Rookie Reporter of the Year”

## EDUCATION

**Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism**

**New York City, NY | May 2024**

***M.S. in Journalism***

- Created original database of 13 years of public housing data and combed through over 30 boxes for 5 hours at housing authority’s archives for thesis on public housing privatization
- Aggregated business data from ACRIS and New York State’s corporation entity database into original database for investigative feature into vacant businesses on Staten Island
- Wrote enterprise and day story on public housing privatization, news story on congestion pricing’s impact on car-dependent commuters, and feature on Paris’ first urban farm
- Extracted, cleaned, and analyzed data in “Data Excel” class
- Examined company IPOs and earnings calls in “Economic and Business Reporting” class

**Georgetown University Walsh School of Foreign Service**

**Washington, D.C. | May 2023**

***B.S. in International Relations, Asian Studies Certificate***

- Wrote thesis on perpetuation of social immobility in the American and Japanese education systems through comparative case studies and interviews
- Produced, wrote, and edited a podcast episode for “Corporations and Empires” final project on the sole surviving colonial-era charter company

**Awards:** “Joseph S. Sebes, S.J. Medal” 2023 recipient

## SKILLS

**Investigative/Data:** FOIA, archival research, PACER, ACRIS, CCAP, OpenRefine, Excel

**Multimedia:** DSLR photography, TASCAM audio recording, social media vertical videos

**Languages:** Certified French fluency; useable Fuzhou dialect; beginner Japanese and Chinese

## REFERENCES

**Peter Frank** | Green Bay Press-Gazette site & regional government editor | [pfrank@usatodayco.com](mailto:pfrank@usatodayco.com)

**Taima Kern** | Appleton Post-Crescent site & business editor | [tkern@gannett.com](mailto:tkern@gannett.com)