ANDREW BOTOLINO

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EDUCATION

Boston University, Boston, MA   **Jan 2025**
Bachelor of Science in Journalism
- Focused on investigative and data journalism as well as long-form narrative writing.
  - Bookbuilders of Boston Writing Competition, 1st Place.
  - Dean's List, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2024.

UMass Amherst Commonwealth Honors College, Amherst, MA   **May 2020**
Completed Coursework in Political Science
- Dean's List, Fall 2019, Spring 2020.

JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

Justice Media co-Lab, Boston, MA   **Aug 2024 - Present**
Project Manager
- Led teams of computer science, data science, and journalism students:
  - Creating an expert rating system to flag suspicious government subcontractors.
  - Using BERT to analyze appellate decisions for prosecutorial misconduct.
  - Scraping annual reports of think tanks to create a database of prominent donors.

Broken, Cambridge, MA   **Feb 2024 - Present**
Researcher and Assistant Editor
- For an upcoming documentary film investigating the Massachusetts child welfare system:
  - Filed records requests and investigated state gov't contracts and subcontracts.
  - Conducted archival research in the State Library of Massachusetts' Special Collections.

Boston University Department of Journalism, Boston, MA   **Jan 2024 - Present**
Teaching Assistant for Prof. Brooke Williams
  - Led an ongoing, nationwide investigation uncovering the use of Signal by politicians.
  - Taught APIs, web scraping, SQLite and Google dorking to journalism students.

New England First Amendment Conference, Boston, MA   **Oct 2024**
Instructor
- Co-taught basic databases course for early-career journalists with Prof. Brooke Williams.

Boston University News Service, Boston, MA   **Jan 2024 - Jan 2025**
Data and In-depth Editor
- Reported and coordinated reporting of data-driven stories with writing staff and fellow editors.

Spark!, Boston, MA   **Mar 2024 - July 2024**
Intern
- Collaborated with ProPublica to analyze thousands of judicial records, uncovering dozens of instances of non-recusal amidst appearances of impropriety.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Boston University Residence Life, Boston, MA   **Aug 2023 - Present**
Resident Assistant
- Organized and led events and mediated resident conflicts.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Data Analysis & Visualization: Python, SQL, Excel/Sheets, Tableau, Flourish, REST API