

# TYNAN HOLT

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## EDUCATION

### GRADUATE EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin | GPA 3.61  
**Master of Public Affairs**, Expected May 2022  
LBJ School of Public Affairs  
**M.A. Communication Studies**, Expected May 2022  
Moody College of Communication

### UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin | GPA 3.58  
**B.A. Government**, 2019  
College of Liberal Arts  
**B.S. Political Communication**, 2019  
Moody College of Communication  
**Minor in English**

## SKILL SUMMARY

**Research/Data Analysis:** SPSS, Stata, R, Excel, confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, statistical significance tests, sampling, survey methods design

**Writing:** MLA, APA, Chicago Style, AP Style, policy memoranda, policy briefs, press releases, white papers, academic research papers

**Computer:** Microsoft Office / Some proficiency in HTML, CSS, and Java

**Languages:** Intermediate Spanish / English

**Financial:** Cost-benefit analysis, Net present value analysis

**Social Media:** Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, WordPress, Instagram, Google+, Hootsuite

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

UT Austin Communication Studies Department,  
McCombs School of Business MBA Program,  
Department of Undergraduate Studies  
Department of Geosciences

Aug. 2019 – present

- Drafted quiz and test questions and create lecture content
- Executed all grading and feedback of writing requirements
- Independently lead discussion sections
- Oversaw development of student critical analysis and literature synthesis skills
- Provided administrative support for class and assignment structure
- *Classes:* Media Effects and Politics; Climate Change and Misinformation; Capstone in Communication and Leadership, Professional Organizations, Rhetoric of Horror, Communicating America Through Baseball

### **Political Affairs Intern**

Environmental Defense Fund | St. Petersburg, FL

Jun. 2021 – Aug. 2021

- Researched potential business partners for the Ambassador Program who show commitment to sustainability in their practices
- Assisted with launch of the Ambassador Program, meant to influence policy and develop policy priorities with our partners
- Compiled messaging, videos, donor lists, and promotable activity for annual Give Miami Day fundraising event
- Crafted talking points and drafted fact sheets for public persuasion on solar energy, electric vehicle, and wind energy policy
- Reviewed grantee interim and final reports to determine return on investment for initiatives and impact of grantee work

### **Legislative Agenda and Decide Texas Intern**

May 2020 – Aug. 2020

Farm&City, transportation- and urban planning-focused nonprofit | Austin, TX

- Spearheaded legislative agenda based on legislative data and trends
- Compiled legislator constituent and bill support information
- Tracked current and past bills and organize legislative agenda for F&C accordingly
- Conducted research for F&C's Decide Texas initiative to increase equity in Texas' transportation decision-making systems
- Published an op-ed calling for more parity and representational equity for the Texas Transportation Committee

***Undergraduate Research Assistant***

**Jan. 2019 – Aug. 2019**

UT Austin Government Department, Dr. Bethany Albertson  
Center for Media Engagement | Austin, TX

- Coded open-ended variables for survey research (project: public opinion on electoral process)
- Collected research on trend data for various electoral reforms and synthesized into a report
- Performed statistical analysis on data for public opinion on 2016 election and interpretation of the term “rigged”
- Conducted qualitative coding on polarizing content sharing on social media, segmented by partisan leaning groups
- Analyzed aggregate data on geographic news coverage with goal of determining news deserts in the Chicago area

***Analyst Intern***

**Oct. 2018 – Dec. 2018**

Legislative Budget Board | Austin, Texas

- Researched Texas state standards in comparison to similar states with the goal of increasing efficiency of taxpayer-funded programs
- Drafted reports for comparison of Texas regulatory practices to other states
- Assessed appropriations set in the Legislature with recommendation of updated estimates
- Assisted in the drafting and revision of budget riders for Sunset and Legislative sessions

***Special Communications Intern***

**May 2018 – Aug. 2018**

Susan G. Komen of Greater and Central Texas | Austin, Texas

- Lead social media marketing of the *More Than Pink Podcast* and design coordinating website
- Drafted and finalized the first ever official quarterly report for the largest donors
- Created copy/graphics and scheduled social media posts for all platforms and Komen accounts

**CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT, HONORS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Graduate Student Representative for The President’s Sustainability Steering Committee (1 year)
- Graduate Public Affairs Council Internal and External Communications Director (2 years)
- Communication Studies Graduate Council Member-at-Large (1 year)
- Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honors Society (2 years)
- Order of Omega Greek Honors Society (2 years)
- Senior Fellows Honors Program
- Awarded Marsha Malish Jones Endowed Presidential Scholarship
- Awarded Graduate Student Fellowship
- Awarded Incoming Student Communication Studies Department Grant
- Communication Studies Department Fellowship