Duties:
Throughout this internship, I was expected to act as any other employee for WCIA. My duties included participating in morning meetings, pitching story ideas, setting up interviews, filming b-roll and interviews, cutting video, and editing video. I also had the opportunity to write stories for various newscasts and rewrite stories for internet use.

I had the opportunity to interview different experts on a number of topics and historical figures including Abraham Lincoln.

WCIA does a series over the summer called, “Our Town.” When we did stories on Petersburg, I found a small bakery and did a piece on it.

Hands-on experience contributed to learning how to work within this field. After concealed carry was passed in Illinois, I got to work as a photog for a live special.

During the summer, I learned how to set up live shots in the newsroom and outside.

Being in the capitol city, my main work involved state legislation. On my second day of my internship, my supervisor sent me out to film generic video of the state capitol.

Learning Outcomes:
- Expanded knowledge of reporting and production
- Learned how to edit video using Avid
- Interacted with professionals in the field
- Became familiar with the fast-paced news life
- Learned how to set up live shots
- Learned how to use various cameras and other equipment
- Learned about studio production through job shadowing