## Job Shadowing

November 14th, 2017 Philadelphia Magazine (Offices in Market Street, Philadelphia) Shadowed Sandy Hingston (Deputy Editor).



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# Philadelphia MAGAZINE

## Background

☐ I had always been good at reading/writing, common interests

The work included writing, editing, researching, and reading various articles to publish to the magazine

Had called Philadelphia magazine, then emailed the main editor setting up my appointment

#### Interactions

- Office divided into multiple sections: Marketing/finance, Art department, Writing and Editing (where my shadowing took place).
- Watched the Editor go through her daily routine
- ☐ Lunch with editors and interns



#### Impressions based on interactions

- The job was fun, interactive and went at your own pace
- It could be an interesting career in the future, but I would still like to weigh my options



#### Environment

- □ Environment was bright and vast one-floor office.
- ☐ Uplifting decor
- ☐ Friendly workers and interns, relatively quiet

☐ I could see myself learning to love to work in a relaxed environment such as this

one.

### Insights

☐ I had sat next to the editor for a large portion of the day, watching her perform her job and interact with her coworkers.

Her job included Editing, writing, reading, and independent research.

Thought me necessary skills (communicating with others, independently researching\*) as well as how to "rise through the ranks".

## Finishing the day

- ☐ Ended with a lunch/interview
- □ No specific follow-up, but information was given in case of future networking
- ☐ It is a good contact to keep, for having connections with the main writers and editors of the Philadelphia Magazine can be useful.



## Final Thoughts

- ☐ Certainly a fun experience with friendly people, relaxed environment, interesting job.
- □ Decent pay, but due to the decline of print media may reconsider my options.



#### The End

#### \*A few pics taken around the area\*

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