# MICHAEL ELL

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Passionate, data-driven digital marketer with close attention to detail and 3+ years of experience in brand management, efficient lead generation, content development, and data analysis. Key skills include:

Digital Campaign Strategy + Development - Content Creation - Data Reporting + Analysis - Copywriting Social Media Management - Photography - Website Management - Email Marketing

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# **Digital Marketing Specialist** – Masonicare (Wallingford, CT – hybrid)

07/2019 -Present

- Social media content creation (aligned with brand voice and visual identity), analytics, and community management across Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, + LinkedIn
  - o Increased content frequency, elevated graphics 800,000+ organic Facebook impressions in 2021
  - Grew Instagram following by 48% year/year and maintained above-average engagement rates (by followers/page likes) for healthcare industry (Instagram: 4.93% vs 1.83% industry average)
  - o Gold Winner, 2021 PRSA CT Mercury Awards, Social Media Campaign #BeAgeless
- Update local Google/Bing/Yelp listings content posts, photo assets, info. updates, review replies
- Digital lead for agency collaboration comprehensive review of paid digital reports (Google/Bing/FB),
   optimization recommendations to improve ad performance and foster lead generation, copywriting
  - Led strategic initiatives that contributed to 53% increase in account conversions year/year
- Continuous edits to website including accurate informational updates, landing page development for paid campaigns, creation of virtual tour pages with descriptive photo and video content
- o Design and update website and social media for GenM Consulting, a Division of Masonicare
- Lead all digital efforts for Southwick Village, a consulting client of GenM, a Division of Masonicare
  - Present monthly digital results to investors; copywriting, social media, digital ad guidance
- Create, deploy, and analyze performance of email marketing campaigns (42% avg. open rate)

## **Social Media Manager** – New England Propane (Bethel, CT – fully remote)

05/2015 - Present

- Facebook page creation and content development (graphic designs + copy aligned with local brand and national propane initiatives), analytics; paid Facebook ad creative development, setup, and reporting
  - Maintained post engagement rates (by followers/page likes) that rivaled national propane brands: 1.40% average (compared to 0.12% services industry average on Facebook)
  - o Ran targeted Facebook lead generation ads with 5.1% click-through rate (vs. 1.1% average)
- Developed successful review generation campaign that helped collect over 30 reviews across Google and Facebook, boosting Search Engine Optimization (SEO efforts)
- o Update Google My Business and Yelp listings photography, company information, review replies

## Marketing Associate – HPOne (Trumbull, CT)

07/2018 - 07/2019

- Analyzed and tracked paid search and display campaigns across multiple lead generation websites
  - Worked closely with Google/Bing account reps to optimize + align campaign strategy
- Served as primary manager of microsite paid search campaigns (with weekly budgets of \$50,000+)
  - o Managed bidding + campaign budgets, optimized ad setup, reported results to senior leadership
- Managed and tracked performance of lead nurture email and text campaigns
- o Supported website creative testing efforts creative ideas, reporting, setup in Google Optimize
- Designed new "Medicare Solutions" logo that improved lead form conversion rate by 6%

05/2018 - 02/2019

- Content creation across Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram graphic design and copywriting
- Community engagement and monitoring of social analytics to inform content strategy

# **Student Worker, Social Media** – UConn Communications (Storrs, CT)

09/2017 - 05/2018

- Assisted with UConn's overall social media strategy through content creation, research, and analytics
- o Designed graphics, covered on-campus events, supported rollout of university Snapchat account

# **Marketing Intern** – Multiple Organizations (HPOne, CME Associates, Masonicare)

06/2016 - 08/2017

- HPOne: utilized Google Analytics to track lead sources on multiple brand websites; assisted with paid search campaigns and testing to optimize conversion rates; designed creative for ad campaigns
- CME Associates: assisted in development of corporate brand through social media; designed advertisements and internal communications; helped design and develop new intranet website
- Masonicare: supported digital marketing efforts with design of website banners; photography for marketing collateral; logo creation and animation; branding of new "Living Well" resource campaign

#### **EDUCATION**

# **Bachelor of Arts, Digital Media and Design** – University of Connecticut (Storrs, CT)

May 2018

- o Concentration in Digital Strategies for Business; minors in Business and Spanish
- o GPA: 4.0/4.0

## TECHNICAL + CREATIVE SKILLS

Photography | Film | Web Design (Basic HTML5 and CSS, WordPress)
Video Editing | Basic Animation and Motion Graphics | Graphic Design

# **Adobe Creative Suite** (in order of proficiency level)

Photoshop, Lightroom, Premiere, Audition, Illustrator, XD, After Effects, InDesign

# Microsoft:

Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook

# Social Media:

Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, YouTube, Vimeo, Hootsuite, Buffer, Sprout, AgoraPulse, Canva Paid Search/Analytics:

Google Analytics, Google Ads, Microsoft Ads, Google Optimize, Google Tag Manager, Google Data Studio **Email Marketing:** 

Constant Contact, Mailchimp