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Title: Fact Brief Writer

Commitment: 7-10 hours per week

Compensation: Varies by location, determined by the newsroom

About Gigafact

[Gigafact](#) is a network of nonprofit, nonpartisan newsrooms publishing concise “[fact briefs](#)” that add factual context to trending community conversations.

Founded in 2022, Gigafact began as an initiative to amplify trusted news sources at the state and local level. Since then, we have welcomed more than a dozen expert newsrooms into our network who have collectively published more than 1,500 fact briefs.

Opportunity

As we continue to expand, we are looking to match skilled journalists with our new newsrooms. Writers who are confirmed by both Gigafact and the publisher will be hired on a part-time basis by that publisher.

You will identify widely circulated claims in your newsroom’s region, craft headline questions capturing the core contention of each, provide a yes or no answer supported by a factual 150-word explanation of the topic, and a list of the sources you used.

Hirees are expected to produce 2-3 fact briefs per week with a minimum commitment of 8-10 hours per week. Some of our contractors have gone on to be hired as full-time employees. Pay rates are established with your partner newsroom.

Mindset

Gigafact is seeking to build a highly trustworthy brand for fact briefs. It is critical that fact brief writers check any partisan or ideological priorities at the door, and that they strive for rationality and objectivity when engaging in this work. Before pursuing this role, we encourage applicants to reflect on if there are any fact briefs that they would decline to pursue, should the evidence lead them to certain conclusions.

Qualifications

We are looking for the following in applicants:

- Experienced researchers that know how to find reputable, relevant sources.
- High-level reasoning with the ability to parse a topic for salient points and construct logically sound arguments.



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- Competent writers that can present information in an easy-to-understand manner for lay readers.
- Individuals that are eager to learn and internalize the lessons they're taught without requiring several refreshers and reminders.
- Good work ethic and ability to meet weekly deadlines.
- Familiarity with a variety of social media platforms to source fact brief inspiration.
- Prior fact checking experience is a huge plus.

Contact

Please email your resume to austin@gigafact.org and include a brief description of your location, relevant experience and interest in fact-checking. Applicants that appear to be a good fit will be invited to interview.

