

## EDUCATION

### University of San Diego

B.A. Political Science,  
Communication Studies  
2017-2021  
3.85 GPA

## NEWSROOM SKILLS

### Reporting experience:

*Breaking news*

*Immigration*

*Environment*

*Enterprise*

*Foreign and national*

*Indigenous affairs*

*Technology*

### Other skills:

*Audio production*

*Social media and digital engagement*

*Audience insights and SEO*

*Adobe InDesign and Audition*

*Microsoft Excel*

*Spanish language*

## AWARDS

### Best reporting in any medium on Latin America

Overseas Press Club, The Robert Spiers

Benjamin Award

["Returned"](#)

### First place: Best Breaking News Story & College Media Division News Story

2020 CCMA Awards & SPJ San Diego

Pro Chapter 2020 Journalism Awards

["Professors Threatened"](#)

### Second place: Best Feature Story

2021 CCMA Awards

["When COVID-19 forced people to stay home, she made her home the outdoors"](#)

## RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

### National Breaking News Reporter, USA TODAY

Oct. 2021 - Present (*reporting fellow Oct. 2021 - March 2022*)

- Track and write [national news](#) throughout night, making handoffs to morning team
- Write, update, and prepare next day's COVID-19 and Ukraine war blogs with live updates
- Monitor trends, audience traffic, and national competitors to enhance SEO

### Foreign and National News Intern, Los Angeles Times

June 2021 - August 2021

- Pitched, wrote and received feeds and stories for [foreign and national news articles](#)
- Covered [indigenous affairs](#), [drought](#) in the Western U.S., and [Afghanistan's refugees](#)
- Collaborated with team of reporters examining national [COVID-19 vaccination rates](#)

### Producer, Oregon Public Broadcasting, "Think Out Loud"

Nov. 2020 - Jan. 2021 (*production assistant May 2019 - Aug. 2019*)

- Produced 10-20 minute [radio shows](#) about news, politics, culture and arts in the PNW
- Managed and wrote social media posts, web copy, headlines, and other media daily
- Researched and pitched stories, booked guests, cut tape, and wrote interview questions for host

### Breaking News Intern, The Oregonian

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Reported at [protests](#) during Trump's deployment of federal agents
- Covered COVID-19 in Oregon and investigated the [state's largest outbreak](#) and how the virus disproportionately affects immigrants and [people of color](#)
- Analyzed and read court, police, and legal documents to assist in writing crime and breaking news stories

### Immigration & Enterprise Intern, The San Diego Union-Tribune

Sept. 2019 - Dec. 2019

- Assisted chief immigration reporter with [project](#) investigating U.S. asylum system
- Covered [refugee admissions](#) in San Diego, California, and the nation
- Analyzed large data sets from the government and others using Microsoft Excel

## LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

### Social Media Vice President, AAJA Portland Chapter

Jan. 2022 - Present

- Manage AAJA-PDX social media accounts, building online community for BIPOC journalists and promoting AAJA events and fundraisers
- Develop and write grant proposals and build relationships with funders
- Plan and host a virtual fundraising event and sell chapter merchandise for annual AAJA-SPJ internship

### Editor in Chief, The USD Vista

May 2020 - May 2021

- Increased social media followers by 35% and published a weekly newsletter with an 80% open rate
- Edited every article for overall journalistic quality, accuracy and form, AP Style, spelling, and grammar
- Restructured in-person newsroom to function remotely and produce a weekly paper