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SKILLS

Journalism

- Field investigation
- Advanced internet and social media search (OSINT)
- Data journalism
- Fact-checking
- News, features, scripts, briefs writing, copy editing
- Multimedia production (audio, video, photo, graphics)

Languages

- English (Fluent)
- Spanish (Working proficiency)
- Portuguese (Working proficiency)
- French (Working proficiency)
- Slovak (Mother Tongue)
- Czech (Fluent)

Computer literacy

- Office suite: MS Office
- Multimedia: Adobe Creative Suite (Premiere, Audition, Photoshop, Illustrator), Wavepad, Dave XP, Cool Edit, Soundslides, Tableau
- Web content management: Adobe Dreamweaver, CPS, HTML
- Data Analysis: Excel

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Freelance published in: The BBC, The Guardian, The Washington Post, Al Jazeera Foreign Policy, New Internationalist, Deutsche Welle, EUObserver Colombia Reports, The Santiago Times

Jun 2013 – ongoing

- Multimedia investigative reporting
- Focus on international affaires, human rights, citizen security, protests
- Research contributors, arrange interviews, negotiate access
- Fact-check claims made by interviewees
- Promote published stories on social media

Global Press Journal

Mar 2018 – ongoing: *Fact checker*

- Ensure all published information is accurate

The HALO Trust

May 2019 – ongoing: *Researcher*

- Monitor media for reports on weapons diverted from state-controlled stockpiles in Latin America, write summaries

BBC – Monitoring

Part of BBC's Global News Division, reports and analyses news from media around the world

Jun 2007 – May 2015: *Senior Broadcast Journalist & Operational Assistant*

- Focus on international news and multimedia production
- Produced features and analyses for BBC News website
- Researched, edited BBC Monitoring's planning diaries
- Sourced, recorded, edited, scripted audio for BBC World Service radio
- Pitched ideas for on-the-day coverage and forward planning
- Led coverage of breaking news and ongoing stories
- Coordinated output of UK-based and international teams
- Produced pictures, maps, graphs, factboxes for BBC News website
- Ensured all output was legally sound, meeting editorial guidelines

The Santiago Times (Chile-based, English-language daily)

Mar 2010 – Apr 2010: *Reporter*

- Reported South America political and economic news; focused on post-earthquake situation, indigenous communities, human rights
- Researched background information
- Researched contributors, conducted interviews in English & Spanish
- Broadened newspaper's network of contacts

The European Commission, Directorate-General for Communication

Mar 2006 – Jul 2006: *Communication Trainee*

- Responsibilities focused on communication and information activities following failed 2005 referendums on EU Constitution in France, Netherlands
- Successfully initiated, planned and oversaw restructuring of www.europa.sk
- Researched, wrote briefs on political and economic situation in Slovakia

Lidové noviny, www.lidovsky.cz

Website of influential Czech daily

24Centrum.cz, www.aktualne.centrum.cz

Leading Czech news website

Mladá Fronta Dnes, www.idnes.cz

Website of influential Czech daily

Jan 2000 – Jun 2004: *Reporter/ News Editor*

- Reported, edited news for various sections, including national and international affairs, culture, economics, sports
- Pitched ideas for on-the-day coverage, forward planning
- Produced graphic and interactive content, including pictures, audio, video, factboxes, timelines, quizzes
- Set up live online interviews
- Contributed to successful launch of news website
- Built database of contacts

EDUCATION

Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris - Paris, France

2004 - 2005 University exchange
Specialization : Media Analysis, Political Communication

Charles University - Faculty of Social Science - Prague, Czech Republic

2001 - 2004 Master (MA) in **Media Studies**, grade: distinction
Thesis: "Political TV talk shows – Does a topic match the choice of guests?"

1998 - 2001 Bachelor (BA) in **Journalism**, grade: distinction
Final work: Photo-reportage on Missionaries of Mother Teresa
Thesis on Documentary photography

Other training:

Oct 2020 Digital Investigations for Journalists, Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas
Apr 2019 Navigating Misinformation, Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas
Jan 2019 Open Source Investigation (OSINT), Intel Techniques
Dec 2018 Fact-checking y Periodismo de Datos, Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas
Jul 2014 Doing Journalism With Data, European Journalism Centre