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Journalist and Video Producer

PROFILE

Self-driven Journalist with 4+ years of working experience covering various news developments from breaking global news to domestic politics, and everything in between. Leveraging a solid academic foundation in international relations and journalism. A social newsgathering reporter with excellent skills in covering breaking news under pressure. A leader and team player with exceptional time management and organizational skills. A documentarian with a passion for storytelling and experience in directing, producing, shooting and editing hard-hitting long and short form stories.

CORE EXPERTISE

Journalism | Documentary | Data Analytics | Camera & Video Editing | Photography/Videography | Proofreading | Editorial Skills | Project Management | Leadership | Verbal & Written Communication Skills | Time Management Skills | Ability to Prioritize | Attention to Detail | Decision-making | Problem-solving | Sound Judgment | Presentation Skills | Multilingual | Verification | Geolocation | Politics

RELEVANT SKILLS

JOURNALIST AND VIDEO PRODUCER/DOCUMENTARIAN

- Avid global and domestic news consumer, utilizing skills to create a documentary about Afghan refugee resettlement in the United States called "Allies Welcome: and a documentary about Black Trans sex workers in New York called "Soliciting Samaritans"
- "Allies Welcome" won an RFK Human Rights Award and premiered at numerous Academy Award qualifying film festivals around the world, including DOC NYC, North America's largest documentary film festival.
- Social newsgathering reporter who has covered multiple wars and global conflicts with a keen eye on being able to verify and geolocate user generated content (UGC) under tight deadlines for the NBCUniversal Network
- Excellent writer equipped with strong copy-editing skills, producing articles/write-ups under tight, high-pressure deadlines.
- Effective communicator with the ability to reach a diverse audience through storytelling and reporting.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ASSOCIATE SOCIAL NEWSGATHERING REPORTER | NBC News, New York City, NY

January 2023- Present

- Find, source, geolocate, and verify user generated content from across social media for NBC's partners and platforms worldwide.
- Pitch, report, and write stories for NBC's digital platform including longform, deeply investigated stories from around the world.
- Follow and cover breaking news stories from across the globe and contribute to reporting for all NBC platforms including MSNBC.

NEWS ASSISTANT | CNN, New York City, NY

Oct 2022 -- January 2023

- Pitched, wrote and edited stories and news alerts for news in the northeastern region of the United States
- Followed breaking news stories and ingested footage for reports on CNN's digital site.
- Coordinated with producers, on-air reporters, editors and writers to put out the latest news on CNN's television news reports and digital site.

REPORTER | Freelance, New York City, NY.

Jan 2020 – January 2022

- Researched, pitched, and wrote articles for publications about politics, gender, and labor rights.
- Edited content and selected compelling audio, video, and/or graphics to enhance summaries or write-ups.
- Leveraged editorial and journalism skills, pitching stories and writing articles for various companies such as Al Jazeera, The Huffington Post, Digital Trends, Ms. Magazine, The American Independent, Men's Health, Giddy, and Volt.

REPORTING INTERN | Reuters News, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Sept 2017 – Dec 2017

- Attended press conferences, wrote news articles, and captured videos/photos of significant events in Malaysia, such as the school fire that killed 23 individuals and the Kim Jong-Nam assassination trial.
- Wrote two articles about Malaysian politics and received two reporting credits during internship.

EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Master of Science in Journalism | Columbia University, Graduate School of Journalism, Aug 2022

Bachelor of Arts & Social Sciences in International Relations, Honors, Class 1 (First Class) | The University of New South Wales, Feb 2019

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Psychology and International Relations | The University of Queensland, June 2017

Exchange Program | Institut d'études politiques de Paris (Sciences Po), June 2016

Technical Skills: Adobe Creative Cloud & Acrobat (Premiere Pro, After Effects, Photoshop, Audition) | Google Drive | Social Media Programs (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn, Slack, TweetDeck) | Data Analytics (IBM, SPSS, LexisNexis) | Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) | Search Engine Optimization (SEO) | Video Camera and DSLR (Canon EOS c200) | INEWSI **Languages:** English (Native) | Malay (Intermediate) | Spanish (Elementary)