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Skills

- Experienced in Adobe Premiere Pro, Photoshop, Audition, Slack, Extremereach, ATC Audio, Broadcastify, Social Desk, INews, BLOXCMS, TVU and Live U Matrix.
- AP Style Writing
- Personable and confident interviewer.
- Visible and wired social media presence.
- Able to shoot videos and photos with both professional and consumer-grade tools.

Education

University of Central Florida

Orlando, FL 08/2019-12/2021

Bachelor of Science:

- Broadcast Journalism
- Minor in Sports Business Management

Broward College

Davie, FL 08/2016-05/2019

Associate of Arts:

Liberal Arts and Sciences

Activities And Honors

- 2022 Edward R Murrow Excellence in Digital Reporting and 2021 Best of Show by the Broadcast Education Association for the *Road to Freedom Avenue: The Legacy of Harry T. and Harriette V. Moore*.
- Cum laude graduate
- Treasurer of the RTDNA UCF Chapter, *Sept. 2020 to April 2021*
- UCF NABJ chapter Member, *Aug. 2020 to Dec. 2021*
- AKAEAF Scholarship Recipient, *Aug. 2019*
- Taco Bell Live Mas Scholarship Recipient, *May 2019*
- Phi Theta Kappa member, *March 2018*
- Dean's List: *Dec. 2016, 2019 & 2020, May 2018 & 2021*
- President's list: *May 2017 & 2020, Dec. 2017*

References

- Joshua Hoyos, **ABC News New York Bureau Chief**, 917-728-2634, Joshua.hoyos@abc.com

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Media has the power to change lives by emitting stories that evoke different emotions amongst individuals. Storytelling is my passion, and as a journalist, working collaboratively to develop and produce quality content is my goal.

Experience

ABC News | National news network | Production Associate

New York, NY

06/2022 - Present

- Assisted in news gathering efforts for all ABC News platforms, collecting, and distributing elements for daily pieces and breaking news, coordinating with ABC News affiliates, assisted in coordinated story coverage for ongoing or new events, logging and transcribed news reports, and providing support constant editorial, administrative, and technical support to ABC News producers, talent, and executives.
- Discovering and clearing viral media for ABC platforms
- Booked travel and providing support to ABC News producers, talent, and executives
- Reported & contributed to stories featured on abcnews.com including Hollywood Beach Shooting, Damar Hamlin's health care providers earring keys to the city of Cincinnati, Denny's sign falling incident and the tribute of Samuel J. Bush in Decatur, Illinois.
- Assisted in producing live shot segments for correspondents on ABC World News with David Muir and ABC News Prime with Linsey Davis

Fansided | Sports news and blog website | Contributing Writer

Chicago, IL (Remote)

03/2022 - 03/2023

- Wrote analysis & opinion columns about the Denver Nuggets.
- Managed Nugglove/ Fansided's Twitter, Instagram, and Tiktok
- Assisted in the creation of graphics to be posted on Fansided social media channels.

Good Morning America | ABC morning news show | Production Intern

New York, NY

09/2021 - 01/2022

- Found families for the three-day series "GMA Ways to Save" a financial series helping families save money.
- Assisted bookers and producers in preparation for stories to turn around to air on the show.
- Participated in aspects of pre-production, from researching and organizing materials related to stories we are covering, assisted in calls on breaking news to exclusively book and set up interviews during time sensitive events.

Hitting The Field | Student-run sports show | Analyst

Orlando, FL

01/2020 - 05/2021

- Co-host for "HTF Bets," on-air talent for four main shows.
- Produced and wrote scripts for "HTF Bets," cut highlights and edited video for shows.
- Managed social media and assisted in the development of HTF commercials.

Nicholson Student Media | Student-run news site | Multimedia Reporter

Orlando, FL

08/2019 - 12/2021

- Wrote an article about a virtual COVID-19 support group, bringing together students across other Florida colleges to overcome the struggles of the pandemic.
- Covered the first-ever House of Athlete Combine, an alternative scouting event to the NFL Combine, canceled due to COVID-19.
- Created a news package about a UCF ethics class creating a Regional-Emmy award winning documentary bringing awareness about the humanitarian crisis at the U.S-Mexican Border.
- Produced UCF Knightly News newscast and webcast.

- **Santina Leuci, ABC Good Morning America Chief Editorial Producer**, 917-414-5963, Santina.leuci@abc.com
- **Michael Kresiel, ABC News Vice President of Newsgathering**, 323-383-1806, Michael.E.Kreisel@abc.com
- **Victoria Arancio, ABC News Assignment Desk Editor**, 631-355-9677, Victoria.J.Arancio@abc.com