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Education

Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ

August 2022 - May 2025

- Journalism and Mass Communications B.A.
- Spanish (Minor)
 - GPA: 4.0
- Enrolled in 3+1 program and will complete Mass Communication MMC in Spring 2026

Professional and Leadership Experience

The State Press - Opinion Editor, Senior Reporter, Assignment Editor

August 2023 - Present

- Content edited top-performing story about ASU nightlife with 30,000+ views
- Fact-checked articles and helped source them
- Top politics and community reporter in the newsroom tasked with breaking news and project stories
- Assign politics, community, science and sports stories to new reporters

Cronkite News DC - Borderlands Reporter

August 2024 - Present

- Wrote about abortion and immigration at the Democratic National Convention
- Cover Arizona's border communities and immigration policy from DC, with my work being picked up by 5+ Arizona news outlets

La Voz del Interior - Reporting Intern

May 2024 - July 2024

- Wrote stories in Spanish about U.S. politics, immigration and higher education for an award-winning Argentinian daily newspaper
- Helped produce its political programs Bajo Palabra and Voto y Voz
- Shadowed a community journalist and learned how to talk to elected officials

New York Times – NYT Corps Member

September 2023 - Present

- One of 19 student journalists selected by the Times to its talent pipeline
- Mentored by Times journalist and former foreign correspondent Steven Lee Myers

McCain Institute – 2024 Sedona Forum Volunteer

May 2024 - May 2024

- One of five students selected to help run the Institute's signature event that convened national and international leaders for constructive dialogue about how to advocate for human rights and democracy

Arizona Senate – Senate Page

January 2023 - May 2023

- Handpicked by Senate sergeant-at-arms to serve lawmakers and staff
- Staffed natural resources and appropriations committees and handed out legislative briefs

BLAZE Radio- Traffic Jam Anchor, Reporter

August 2022 - November 2023

- Covered 2022 midterm elections, Senate debate and the Attorney General debate

Cronkite Foreign and International Reporting Club - Anchor

August 2022 - August 2024

- Co-host a longform radio segment focusing exclusively on global politics and events

Research Experience

Melikian Center Undergraduate Fellowship - Fellow

January 2024 - Present

- Researched the influence of Russian mass media on Kyrgyz audiences in collaboration with faculty from the Melikian Center for Russian, Eurasian and Eastern European Studies at ASU.

Honors & Awards

2022 Flinn Foundation Scholar – full-ride scholarship awarded to top 20 high-achieving seniors in Arizona every year

2022 State Press Retention Award – recognizes new, talented, and high-achieving people within the organization

Additional Skills

- I speak Russian and Spanish proficiently