

KARESS MELANIE

SUMMARY

Ambitious journalist/broadcaster with exceptional communication and collaboration skills. Pragmatic leader versed in guiding teams to meet established objectives. Supports individuals with campus and social issues and liaises with campus administration to resolve critical problems.

EXPERIENCE

Broadcast Reporter

Cronkite News | Phoenix, AZ | January 2025 - Current

- Wrote, edited, and submitted news reports under tight deadlines.
- Conducted interviews with key figures and sources to obtain information for stories.
- Utilized multimedia equipment to capture photos and videos to complement written stories.

Content Operations Intern

Abc News | New York, NY | June 2024 - August 2024

- Monitored and pitched local, national, and international events via Internet resources and other media outlets.
- Throughout my internship, I worked at the live desk, News Acquisitions, and the assignment desk, and I shadowed live shots/interviews.

President And Reporter

National Association of Black Journalists | Phoenix, Arizona | March 2023 - Current

- Built talent pipeline to support business growth and enduring success.
- Coordinated work across departments to keep teams on track with company goals.
- Fostered collaboration and development of new practices by business leaders.

Reporter And Co-Producer

Galsngear + Chyron at NABShow 2024 | Phoenix, Arizona | April 2024 - April 2024

- Conducted interviews with key figures and sources to obtain information for stories.
- Researched, wrote, edited, and proofread news articles for accuracy and clarity.
- Successfully used ChyronLive software.

Digital/Production Intern

Arizona PBS | Phoenix, Arizona | January 2023 - May 2024

- Utilized editing and photography tools to enhance storytelling.
- Planned, produced and edited video projects to maximize engagement.
- Utilized best practices for SEO to boost social media program's visibility and organic growth.

Videographer And Reporter

State Press | Phoenix, AZ | January 2023 - January 2024

- Interviewed sources, contacts, and leads to gather information for stories.
- Introduced fresh and new angles on previously reported material to update and inform readers.
- I gathered information about events through research and interviews and attended political, news, and sports functions.
- Checked reference materials to obtain relevant facts.

Director Of Safety,Health,And Wellness

Undergraduate Student Government | Phoenix, AZ | September 2022 - Current

- Made frequent speeches at events, receptions, and fundraisers.
- Juggled multiple projects and tasks to ensure high-quality and timely delivery.
- Organized educational events, workshops, seminars, and conferences. focused on promoting good health practices.

Videographer

Walter Cronkite Sports Network | Phoenix, AZ | September 2022 - September 2023

- Edited videos to upload and post to social media platforms.
- Interviewed sources, contacts, and leads to gather information for stories.
- Performed extensive research to back up stories.
- Completed research and checked facts to maintain high journalistic integrity standards.

CONTACT

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SKILLS

- ENPS
- Adobe Software
- TVU Networks
- On-scene Reporting/ Conducting Interviews
- Unity Software
- Morpheus
- Advid

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Bachelor of Arts

Journalism, Broadcast

Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ

Expected in May 2026