# Valeria Rivera Calix

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## Education

# **Boston University College of Communication**

Boston, MA

Bachelor of Science in Journalism

Bachelor of Science in Public Relations

Expected Graduation: May 2026

Relevant Coursework: Reporting In Depth, Visual Multimedia Storytelling, Writing for Communication, PRLab, Business

Fundamentals of Public Relations

<u>Activities:</u> Social Media Chair- BU Journalists of Color, Daily Free Press, Her Campus Honors: Dean's List (May 2022- Present); National Society of Collegiate Scholars Member

Study Abroad: London Journalism Program

# Relevant Experience

### PRLab at Boston University

Boston, MA

Account Executive

Sep 2025- Present

- Developed and executed strategic media outreach for client, a local non-profit, with pitches to local publications and securing interviews to increase community visibility
- Created original written content for press releases, social media posts, blogs, and website copy

## **Stomping Ground Strategies**

Chicago, IL

Digital Content Intern

June 2025- Present

- Assisted in drafting and distributing press releases, set up interviews with news outlets on client's behalf
- Pitched original stories for clients including op-eds, letters to the editor that were published, in local and national outlet
- Conducted media research and built press lists, monitored and sent daily and weekly news digests for clients

### NBC/Telemundo Nueva Inglaterra

Boston, MA

Digital Content Intern

June 2025- August

2025

- Wrote articles and produced multimedia content for the website, Instagram, TikTok and other social platforms
- Translate articles in English from regional NBC stations for Spanish-speaking audiences

Factchecked for news segments, cut the live news cast, edited content for website/social media reproduction

# Additional Experience

#### **Aviation Business News**

London, UK

Digital Content Produce 2025

Feb 2025- April

- Produce daily articles and content for the <u>online magazine</u> and associated social media platforms, adapted writing to fit company's style and voice
- Simplified business and tech language to be understood by a mass audience, to expand reach
- Supported management team in design and creation of the magazines print publications

## Skills

<u>Computer Skills:</u> Adobe Premiere Pro, Adobe Audition, Lightroom Classic, Canva Pro, Microsoft Office/Home, and Google Suite, Photo and videography (smartphone and canon cameras), graphic design, online engagement metric analytic Language Skills: Bilingual in English and Spanish

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# **Professional References**

## **Contact #1: Rebecca Evans**

- Title: Co-founder, Partner of SGS
- **How I know them:** One of my head supervivors at SGS, work directly with her on two client account
- Contact: +1 (312) 883-1984, rebecca@sgstrategies.com

### Contact #2: Ana Mondello-Mata

- Title: Senior Digital Producer at NBC Boston, for Telemundo NI
- How I know them: Mentor/Supervisor at Telemundo, worked directly with her on all projects over the summer
- Contact: +1 (781) 742-0520, ana.mondello@nbcuni.com

# **Contact #3: Sherrod Blakely**

- Title: Multimedia Journalist, Associate Prof. at BU
- **How I know them:** Professor for Smartphone Reporting class, stayed in contact since then
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