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EDUCATION

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, Graduate School of Journalism

New York City, NY

M.S. Journalism

Aug 2023 - May 2024

- Reported primarily on environmental policy, sustainable development and energy in a fast-paced newsroom environment, focusing on both breaking news as well as long-form writing pieces.
- Wrote my master's project on the future of New York City's Local Law 97 and the feasibility of its implementation.
- Concentrated on climate reporting, focusing on the economics and public financing of climate solutions, and conducted cross-border investigations using data to explore the global impacts of lithium mining.
- Earned class honors in media law, journalism history, data journalism and investigating across borders.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, Annenberg School of Journalism

Los Angeles, CA

B.A. Journalism with a Minor in Cultural Diplomacy

Jan 2020 - May 2023

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude (3.93 GPA)
- Won the School of Journalism Undergraduate Director's Award for Excellence.
- Wrote my capstone project on how American culture influences the identities of Mexican immigrants.
- Coursework in international relations, public diplomacy, photojournalism, magazine writing, documentary production, podcasting, investigative and data journalism.

EXPERIENCE

SCIENCE FRIDAY

New York, NY

Radio Production Fellow

Jun 2024 - Sep 2024

- Conduct in-depth research on emerging scientific studies and science angles of relevant topics to develop segment ideas.
- Pre-interview topical experts, write copy, tape and edit weekly segments to be aired in 500 radio stations nationwide.
- Produce one to two segments per week, generating over 70,000 average listens per segment.

ANNENBERG MEDIA

Los Angeles, CA

Radio Executive Producer

Jan 2021 - May 2023

- Oversaw a team of 10 people creating radio packages for the daily show "From Where We Are."
- Supervised pitching and sourcing for daily-turnaround stories as well as the editing, mixing and airing of the pieces.
- Produced over 60 live radio shows containing around 100 individual stories over a two-and-a-half-year span, as well as a three-hour election special for the 2022 midterm elections.
- Researched and secured guests that could speak on journalism ethics for our end-of-show segment.

SKILLS

Video and Audio: Photoshop, Lightroom, After Effects, Premiere Pro, Avid | Audition, News Boss, Pro Tools, Descript

Investigative Tools: FOIA Requests, QGIS, S&P Capital IQ Pro, Orbis, OSINT reporting tools, Bloomberg Terminal

Data & Web Based: Excel data analysis, data visualization tools, OpenRefine | SEO and CMS management, HTML coding

Languages: Spanish: Native Language | English: Fluent | Portuguese: Intermediate

Organizations: National Association of Hispanic Journalists, Investigative Reporters and Editors

PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

GLIMPSE FROM THE GLOBE

Los Angeles, CA

Associate Editor

Jan 2021 - May 2023

- Wrote articles about foreign affairs with topical emphasis on sustainable development, human rights and international policy by researching, analyzing data and interviewing topical experts.
- Reviewed and edited three articles a week and revised the style, structure, grammar and content of the pieces per AP style guidelines for publication.

GIVEPOWER FOUNDATION

La Guajira, Colombia

Content Creator

Jun 2022 - Jul 2022

- Pitched, gathered and produced content commissioned by the non-profit organization Givepower during a trip to La Guajira, Colombia. Content included: film photo essay, audio stories, 360 video and vertical social media content.