Diana Kruzman

EXPERIENCE

Religion News Service, Religion and Environment Story Project - Fellow

SEP 2021-PRESENT

- Writes monthly features for Religion News Service, covering indigenous spirituality & new religions.
- Incorporates religion and environmental reporting as a fellow for the Religion & Environment Story Project.

The New York Times, Vice, Undark, The Christian Science Monitor - Freelance Journalist JAN 2021-PRESENT

- Freelances for national publications, covering religion, climate change and the environment, transportation and international affairs. Incorporates data reporting, such as for a long feature about agriculture and water.
- Received grant funding from the Society of Environmental Journalists, Overseas Press Club Foundation, University of Colorado and International Women's Media Foundation.

Bedford + Bowery - News Intern

SEP - OCT 2020

• Wrote about community issues, including climate change and transit, in Brooklyn and Lower Manhattan.

The Oregonian - News Intern

JUN - AUG 2019

• Covered crime, the courts and homelessness for Oregon's leading newspaper. Wrote longer feature stories as well as faster breaking news pieces. Incorporated photography, public records and data.

Boyle Heights Beat - Reporter

SEP 2018 - JUN 2019

• Reported on breaking news — including politics, crime and activism — as the only general news reporter for the Boyle Heights Beat, a local newspaper. Developed sources and relationships with the community.

Daily Trojan - News, Managing and Special Projects Editor

JAN 2016 - MAY 2019

• Served in leadership roles at USC's daily student newspaper. Developed features and investigations.

Reuters - Editorial Intern

JUN - AUG 2018

- Reported on national breaking news, including immigration and criminal justice, from New York City.
- Gathered data and reported an enterprise piece about the use of computer tablets in prisons nationwide.

New England Center for Investigative Reporting (NECIR) - Albania Exchange Fellow

MAY 2018

• Examined the environmental effects of hydropower in Albania for an investigative journalism fellowship.

The Hub - Freelance Correspondent

JUL - DEC 2017

Freelanced for a Los Angeles news outlet, covering housing prices, student homelessness and local politics.

USA TODAY - Los Angeles Bureau Intern

MAY - JUL 2017

Pursued breaking news and enterprise stories for News and Money sections, focusing on Los Angeles.

NBC News - Dateline Intern

JAN - APR 2017

• Transcribed interviews, searched through photo archives and conducted research for Dateline NBC.

EDUCATION

New York University - M.A. Journalism and Near East Studies

MAY 2021

University of Southern California - B.A. Print and Digital Journalism, Middle East Studies

MAY 2019

SKILLS

- Fluent in Russian, with advanced Arabic and working Spanish communication skills.
- Familiar with CMS (i.e. WordPress), social media (i.e. HootSuite), AP Style and fact-checking.
- Knows how to use Nexis and PACER software for research; has basic data skills using Excel and Tableau.

REFERENCES

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