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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I'm an international development researcher with seven years of experience across community-engaged research, project management, and research communications. My background spans immigration law, labor rights, and climate resilience, and I'm passionate about advancing human rights in the Global South. I have managed multi-country studies, interviewed hard-to-reach populations, and translated complex information into reports, multimedia projects, and public-facing resources. I have worked in legal, consulting, nonprofit, and academic settings, and I want to contribute to organizations making a positive impact. As a native Spanish speaker from Colombia, with a BA in journalism and international affairs and an MS in strategic communications for public policy, I bring strong writing, editing, and cross-cultural communication skills.

CORE COMPETENCIES

Research: Mixed-methods research, in-country fieldwork, participatory research, interviewing vulnerable populations, IRB management.
Research & Data Tools: Dedoose, SPSS, Zotero
Project Management: Multi-country study management, coordinating international teams, subcontractor hiring processes
Strategic Communications: Research translation, academic writing, legal writing, science communications, proposal writing, AP Style
Communication Tools: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, ArcGIS StoryMaps, Mailchimp
Languages: English (fluent) • Spanish (native)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Global Resilience Institute, Northeastern University • September **2024 – Present**
Senior Research Associate

- Manage multidisciplinary climate resilience research projects in the U.S. and Caribbean, overseeing research design, timelines, IRB protocols, data collection and analysis, and coordination with local partners.
- Conduct participatory and community-engaged research with members of micro-communities, co-developing local solutions to climate adaptation that integrate both lived experience and science into project design and materials.
- Lead the development of reports, policy briefs, articles, web content, and educational materials that translate complex environmental research into accessible information for community, practitioner, funder, and academic audiences.
- Supervise 2–4 research staff, coordinate multidisciplinary teams, and oversee quality control and timely delivery across multiple projects.

ICF • March **2023 – September 2024**
International Research Management Specialist

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Brown Immigration Law • June 2019 – April 2023
Senior Immigration Writer

- Prepared immigration petitions, gaining extensive knowledge of the U.S. immigration system and contributing to more than 300 case approvals.
- Conducted technical research and translated foreign nationals' scientific work into persuasive legal narratives for petitions.
- Researched immigration statutes, regulations, and agency guidance, monitored changes in requirements, and applied findings to petitions.
- Communicated directly with immigrants, explaining complex immigration requirements and providing updates on case status.

Co-Lab for Data Impact at Northeastern University • August 2020 – May 2022
Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant

- Coordinated a mixed-methods study of 5,000 participants across four countries on misinformation and free speech.
- Conducted qualitative analysis, assisted in survey design, co-authored three peer-reviewed publications, and contributed to reports, presentations, and public-facing research communications.
- Supported two graduate journalism courses by editing student journalism assignments and providing feedback on reporting and writing.

ACLU • August 2018 – June 2019
Communications Intern

- Produced bilingual communications supporting immigrant-rights advocacy, including feature stories and Spanish-language materials.
- Developed and translated accessible legal and civil-rights content for immigrant communities, including a bilingual video and informational materials explaining individuals' rights when interacting with immigration enforcement.
- Covered advocacy events through photography and video and edited multimedia content for digital communications.

EDUCATION

Northeastern University
MS – Strategic Communications for Public Policy, Cum Laude • GPA:3.7

- *Relevant coursework*: Law, Policy and Legal Argument; Behavior, Legal Doctrine and Policy Design; Current Issues in Law and Public Policy; Law and Ethics of Advocacy; Investigative Reporting; Visualization Technology. *Newspaper*: Global Observer, Reporter & Editor (Fall 2020)

University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Bachelor of Journalism, Cum Laude • GPA: 3.9

- *Majors*: Mass Communication and Journalism; International Affairs. *Minor*: Political Science
- *Volunteering*: Communications intern at the Center for Legal Immigration Assistance, where I tailored legal content to immigrant communities.