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TEACHER / JOURNALIST

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EDUCATION

2026-2028

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA:
TWIN CITIES

- Bachelor of Arts

2024 - 2026

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

2020 - 2024

ABERDEEN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

- High School Diploma

AWARDS / HONORS

Upper Midwest Emmy's

- Magazine Program (2023, 2024, 2025)
- College - Newscast (2025)
[Nomination]
- High School - Newscast (2024)
- Non-Fiction (2024) [Nomination]
- Public Affairs / Community Service (2025) [Nomination]

SKILLS

- Public Speaking
- Teamwork
- Time Management
- Leadership
- Critical Thinking

LANGUAGES

- English (Fluent)
- Spanish (Fluent)
- Portuguese (Intermediate)

PROFILE

Experienced in journalism and education, with a background in teaching across all grade levels, from elementary to high school. Born in Rochester, MN, to Guatemalan immigrants, and a first-generation college student with aspirations to pursue graduate studies following the completion of my undergraduate degree.

NEWS EXPERIENCE

Coyote News / Coyote News: Daily Update 2024-2025

- Produce Daily Updates on my own, handling scripts, graphics, and the full rundown every weekday.
- Report and edit weekly news packages, along with VOs and VOSOTs for the show.
- Return to the anchor desk as a sports anchor, delivering on-air updates and segment scripts.
- Worked in the studio operating cameras, floor directing, and helping the team get the show on air.

The Volante 2025

- Reported and wrote campus and community news articles on deadline.
- Researched, interviewed sources, and fact-checked content for publication.

McQuillen Creative Group / Aberdeen Insider / Aberdeen Magazine (Intern) 2025

- Wrote and edited articles for print and online publication.
- Assisted with video editing and production for MCP.
- Gained experience in interviewing, researching, and producing local stories.

Eagle Zone / Eagle Zone Live 2021 - 2024

- Learned to produce news packages, VOs, and VOSOTs for weekly broadcasts
- Enhanced public speaking and on-air presentation skills as an anchor for Eagle Zone (2022-23) and Eagle Zone Live (2023-24)
- Gained teamwork and leadership skills by being Eagle Zone's Producer (2024)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Target

Food & Beverage (Seasonal) 2024 - 2026

- Gained more experience in working in a fast-paced environment in retail
- Learn to become open-minded and ask questions

Walmart

Meat / Produce Associate 2022 - 2024

- Learned about working in Retail for the first time
- Developed teamwork and leadership skills
- Gained knowledge in working in a fast pace environment

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sioux Falls Washington High School

Field Experience Course 2025

- Learned about the Sioux Falls School District with their teaching and what they stand for
- Observed AP World History, AP European History, and general World History classrooms

Vermillion Elementary School

USD: Adapt A School 2025

- Learned more about teaching in elementary level of a classroom
- Have more of a 1 on 1 experience in teaching and helping students