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Work Experience

WHYY News - Philadelphia

March 2024 - Present

Suburban reporter

- File two to three stories for radio and web per week (write web and radio scripts, record and produce radio)
- Take photos as needed for stories
- Report on Bucks and Montgomery counties, as well as general assignment reporting duties on Saturdays
- Cultivate sources throughout the region
- Collaborate with colleagues on multimedia projects
- Received two 2026 Regional Edward R. Murrow awards for feature stories

WHYY News - Philadelphia

March 2022 - March 2024

Digital content producer

- Provide final edit for web stories; select photos and produce stories for the web
- Select and post stories from partners
- Manage social media on weekend shifts
- Produce daily newsletter
- Write, report, and record original stories for web and radio

Freelance reporting - Philadelphia

Feb. 2020 - March 2024

Journalist

- Writing stories on religion for *Religion News Service* as a '22-'23 RNS/Interfaith America fellow.
- Reported and written stories published in *Billy Penn*, *Blind Magazine*, *Generocity*, *GridPhilly*, *IJNET*, *The New York Times*, *The Philadelphia Citizen*, *¡Presente! Media*, *The Trace*, and *WHYY News*.
- Co-host of *El Café de la Tarde*, a weekly Spanish-language show for Philatinos Radio in South Philly. The show has been running since July 2020.
- Researched and reported on gun violence resources in Philadelphia for *The Trace's* Up the Block initiative.

Global Press Journal - International

May 2021 - October 2023

Story Editor

- Edit stories for publication alongside reporters based in countries throughout the world.
- For stories with Spanish-speaking reporters, discuss stories and provide edits in Spanish; translate some materials.

AL DÍA News - Philadelphia, PA

Jan. 2018 - Feb. 2020

Fellow (Jan. - June 2018); Staff Writer (June - Oct. 2018); Deputy Editor (Oct. 2018 - Feb. 2020)

- Coordinated editing, translation, design, and visuals for fully bilingual weekly print edition (circulation 30,000).
- Built external partnerships and collaborations; spearheaded publication's involvement in *Broke in Philly*.
- Reported and wrote stories and long-form stories on education, culture, immigration, and politics.
- Translated articles from Spanish into English; doing interpretation Spanish-English and English-Spanish.
- Created and designed *Cuéntame*, a first-person storytelling initiative for U.S. Latinos.
- Edited English-language content for the weekly print edition and English-language content online.

Asociación SERES - Antigua, Guatemala

Nov. 2016 - Dec. 2017

Communications Manager

- Managed all communications, social media accounts, website, blog, and newsletters.
- Took photos and videos at organizational events and programs.
- Translated materials for website, blog, etc., English-Spanish and Spanish-English.
- Designed and executed giving campaign, carbon on-setting campaign.
- Designed and provided Spanish-language media education workshops in Spanish to youth ages 13-25.

Education

Columbia Journalism School, New York, NY, M.S. Full-Time (Grad. 05/18/2016)

Focused on photo and visual journalism in addition to in-depth feature reporting. Received honors in Writing with Style, long-form course, and in Business of Journalism.

Barnard College of Columbia University, New York, NY (Grad. 05/18/2014)

B.A. in Middle Eastern Studies, Major; Spanish and Latin American Studies Minor

Skills

Digital/Production: Photoshop; Lightroom; Premiere Pro; iMovie; DSLR operation; ProTools

Languages

Fluent in Spanish; Conversational Persian (Farsi)