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EXPERIENCE

NowThis News

New York, NY

- **Producer/Cinematographer, NowThis News Originals**

May 2019-Present

Pitch, produce, script, shoot, and edit long form, original content with a focus on immigration and climate change. Travel frequently as a field producer and cinematographer. Occasionally write, produce, & host explainer videos. Frequently assigned to partnership projects with philanthropic organizations including Emerson Collective, Oprah Winfrey Network, and CAP Climate.

- **Associate Producer/Host, NowThis World**

March 2018-April 2019

Produced, hosted, and was lead editor for long-form weekly explainers on international news, global conflicts, & world leaders.

Traveled to Kakuma Refugee Camp to cover and film South Sudan's hunger crisis & the forgotten community of Lost Boys.

- **Associate Producer, NowThis News**

September 2017-February 2018

Pitched, wrote, edited, and produced daily social videos on breaking and daily news for a millennial audience. Maintained a focus on international news. Regularly joined other teams for long-form videos as a shooter.

- **Fellow, NowThis Politics**

May 2017-August 2017

Pitched, wrote, edited and produced daily social videos for politics coverage for a millennial audience.

Freelance

New York, NY

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(January 2017-May 2017)

Videos & photography appeared in NowThis News, Queens Ledger, NYCity News Service, and CUNY Graduate School of Journalism.

Morocco World News

Rabat, Morocco

Photo/Video Journalist

June-August 2016

Launched photo & video content at this English-language startup while writing daily news stories about Moroccan and international news. Worked with fixers and translators. Pursued stories on Moroccan single mothers, sex work, domestic child labor, and animal rescue efforts.

CUNY Graduate School of Journalism

New York, NY

Social Media Coordinator

September 2015-May 2017

Created and moderated content for the Journalism school's Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram profiles to build a social media presence and promote our brand. Photographed and live-tweeted school events.

The Torch Independent Student Newspaper

Queens, NY

Staff Writer

March 2013-May 2015

Reported, wrote, and copy-edited hard news and feature stories for award-winning student-run paper. Investigated lack of multicultural interactions among students despite university's ranking as 4th most ethnically diverse in the country.

EDUCATION

CUNY Graduate School of Journalism, New York, NY

M.A., International Reporting and Visual Journalism, December 2016

*Included a 10-day reporting trip to Israel, hosted by the Jerusalem Press Club

St. John's University, Queens, NY

B.S. in Journalism (Minor: Sociology), May 2015

SKILLS

Hardware: Canon C100 & C300, Canon EOS Rebel 70D dSLR, SONY A7iii, DJI Osmo, GoPro

Software: Adobe Premiere, Photoshop, Bridge, Illustrator, and Media Encoder

Languages: Fluent in Spanish, Basic Conversational Italian

AWARDS/MEMBERSHIP

– Secretary of the CUNY chapter of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists, 2016

– Recipient of Walter Lister International Travel Stipend in 2016

– Winner of the CUNY Visual Lab Photo Competition