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CAREER SUMMARY

A fearless, early-achieving international one-man-band digital journalist with a passion for story telling from far off places skilled in enterprising, shooting, editing and delivering digital news content worldwide.

EDUCATION

Florida Gulf Coast University

Fort Myers, Florida
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism

Hong Kong University journalism class guest speaker

Guest speaker at Society of Professional Journalist South Florida Chapter meet and greet

Tech de Monterrey Ciudad Juarez Journalism class guest lecturer on international news correspondence

Panelist at National Association of Hispanic Journalist Region 4 conference in Atlanta, GA

Face-to-Face Poynter Institute speaker, lessons of an international backpack journalist

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Multimedia Digital Journalist

February 2013 to Present

Stars and Stripes, U.S. Army, Washington

A 13-month embed primarily covering the orderly withdrawal of US. Army troops from Afghanistan.

Responsibilities include production of multimedia news items as assigned in print format and in web/broadcast format for both the written publication and the web display.

Freelance Digital Journalist

2010 to February 2013

Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa, December 2011 to Fall 2012

Stories aired on the following platforms: CNN Newsroom, ABC News, MSNBC.com, BBC, WBBH-TV, Current TV, MTVU, Naples Daily News and WGCU Public Radio.

Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, 2011

Self-funded two "backpack" reporting trips to Mexico's deadliest city, which received eight minutes of coverage on CNN Newsroom.

Port-au-Prince, Haiti, 2010

Self-funded "backpack" reporting trips to Haiti just three weeks after the devastating January earthquake.

South Sudan, 2010

Traveled to South Sudan as a "backpack journalist" to cover the escalating violence in Jonglei state between rival tribes. Story ran on ABCNews.com.

Intern and Academic Achievement

August 2007 to December 2011

Roving Reporter at ABC News on Campus, 2009-2011

HAHJ Student Fellow at NBC "Nightly News" with Brian Williams, New York, Summer 2010

WBBH-TV, Fort Myers, Florida, Intern, 2010

Naples Daily News, Naples, Florida, Intern, 2009

WFTX-TV, Cape Coral, Florida, Intern, 2008

Dreamtime Entertainment, Cape Coral, Florida, Intern, 2007

AWARDS - AFFILIATIONS

National Association of Hispanic Journalists

2011 Roy W. Howard National Collegiate Reporting Competition Winner

2011 Walter & Betsy Cronkite Award: Overseas Press Club Foundation Scholarship

2010 ABC News on Campus: Roving Reporter of the Year

2010 NAHJ Student Fellow at NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams

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