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Profile:

A multimedia journalist with over ten years of experience locally in Arizona and abroad in Mexico, Sudan and Zambia. Currently working as an adjunct teaching photojournalism at the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism at ASU. Experience working on tight deadlines and shooting video and photos of news, corporate events and portraits for corporate accounts, Arizona State University, Reuters, Arizona Republic and other international publications. Native Spanish and English speaker with conversational Arabic, French and Portuguese and in depth work in Latino and immigrant communities throughout Arizona.

Experience:

Walter Cronkite School of Journalism

Photojournalism Professor

January 2014 - Present

Working part time as adjunct faculty teaching Photojournalism I, Photojournalism II and DSLR video principles to students at the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism. Created syllabus, assignments and shooting opportunities for up to 40 students.

Visual Journalist based out of Phoenix, Ariz.

Freelance Visual Journalist

October 2013 - Present

Working full-time as a news photographer, event photographer and corporate photographer at a range of events from protests to faculty portraits to corporate events. Manage all social media, website, marketing and business development. Published with Reuters (both photo and video), So Scottsdale, Modern Luxury, Fox Sports News, Readers Digest.

Peace Corps Zambia, Africa

Rural Education Development Specialist

January 2011 - October 2013

Working full-time at a village level developing agriculture, HIV/AIDS education and life skills courses in a remote village with no electricity or running water. Creating photos and videos for documentation of the Peace Corps Zambia experience. Organized 90+ individuals to travel and attend week long development event, Girls Leading our World Camp, managed all associated grants and finances.

University of Kordofan, Sudan

Professor and Freelance Photographer

January 2010 - November 2011

Working part time as English professor and freelance photographer based out of central Sudan. Documenting events and the referendum on separation of South Sudan for ZUMA News.

Sun Sentinel, Ft. Lauderdale Florida**Multimedia Journalist**

August 2009 - December 2009

Working full-time as a multimedia journalist and intern documenting different news and features events with photographs and video. Shooting and editing 2-3 videos daily and providing photographs for the same events. Created a long term project on immigration, focusing on pregnant Colombian national to give birth in Florida for U.S. citizenship.

News 21 Carnegie-Knight Initiative Grant Recipient**Walter Cronkite School of Journalism****Visual Journalist**

January 2009 - July 2009

Working full-time documenting Latino issues around Arizona and Mexico as a writer, photographer and videographer. Editing videos, photographs and written projects on the subject of the Virgin of Guadalupe and her cultural appropriation. Documented the plight of three U.S. minors living in a Mexican orphanage for three years without any attempt by the U.S. Consulate to reunite them with American family in Arizona.

Visual Journalist based out of Phoenix, Ariz.**Freelance Visual Journalist**

August 2006 - January 2009

Photographed daily news, events and spot news as a freelance photographer at various valley publications while completing bachelors degree.

Awards and Memberships:

- Carnegie and Knight Foundation's Initiative on the Future of Journalism Fellow, May-July 2009
- Scripps Howard Top Ten Student Journalist Award, 2008-2009
- Mary Ann Knock Photojournalism Scholarship, August 2008
- Competition Winner, Roy W. Howard National Collegiate Reporting Competition, May 2008
- Grant Recipient, Howard Buffett Grant to cover Divided Families, August 2007
- Competition Semi-Finalist, Hearst Photojournalism Competition, May 2007
- Member of the American Society of Media Photographers, National Press Photographers Association

Clients and Publications:

L.A. Times, Readers Digest, Fox Sports News, Arizona Republic, AZcentral.com, Modern Luxury Magazine, So Scottsdale, Reuters, yahoonews.com, Huffington Post, New York Times, Reuters, Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, Haute Event Photography

Education:**Arizona State University,**

B.S. in Journalism and Mass Communication from the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, 2009

B.F.A. in Photography from the Herberger School of Art, 2009