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EXPERIENCE

Podcast Creator & Host - Travel Like You

Travel Like You (Apr. 2024 - present)

- Produce, record, edit, and publish an independent podcast with interviews with international guests, sharing of authentic travel stories.

English & Radio Instructor in France

3iS Bordeaux (Sept. 2023 - present)
Université de Bordeaux (Sept. 2023 - Aug. 2025)
TAPIF (Oct. 2021 - Apr. 2023)

- Train students of Sound Engineering in radio recording techniques in English at 3iS Bordeaux.
- Taught English to Law and Political Science students at the University of Bordeaux DSPEG.
- Developed lessons, presentations and learning games to improve oral and comprehension skills.
- Facilitated activities for middle and high school students to enhance their English proficiency.

Investigative Reporter

WINK News (Sept. 2018 - Sept. 2021)

- Researched, wrote, shot, edited and presented data-driven stories for TV on a deadline, created expanded web content and shared to social media.
- Immersed myself in the community, regularly meeting and fostering relationships with people of diverse backgrounds.
- Worked on multiple stories simultaneously, collaborated with the team on special projects.
- Led and designed multiple trainings on new graphics software meant to improve overall storytelling and viewer understanding.

Multimedia Journalist

WCJB TV20 News (Jan. 2017 - Aug. 2018)

- Researched, wrote, shot, edited and presented daily stories for TV, wrote web articles and shared content to social media.
- Worked my way up from associate producer and photographer, filled in as anchor when needed.

EDUCATION

University of Florida

- MA in Mass Communications
- BS in Telecommunication (News)

CONFERENCES

- Becker Digital Strategies, Digital Organizing Bootcamp, 2021
- Poynter: Covering Jails & Police Reform, 2021
- National Press Photographers Association (NPPA)
  - Video Storytelling Workshop, 2020
  - News Video Workshop, 2018 & 2020
- Investigative Reporters and Editors (IRE), 2018 & 2019
- Sciline: Science Essentials for Political Reporters, 2019

SKILLS

- Writing, interviewing and presenting
- Podcasting, photography, videography and editing
- Graphic design and infographics
- Vlogging and livestreaming
- Social media management and outreach
- Fluent in English and French
- Logic, Adobe Premiere Pro CC, Edius, Final Cut Pro, Doodly, Toonly, Canva, InDesign, Microsoft Office, Google Suite, Weebly, Wordpress (beginner HTML/CSS).

AWARDS

- NATAS Suncoast Emmy Nomination, 2021 & 2019
- The Florida Bar, Parker Thomson Award for Outstanding Legal Journalism (Television), 2021
- Florida Association of Broadcast Journalists Award for Consumer, Financial, Economic Reporting (Series), 2020
- Florida Association of Broadcast Journalists Award for Transportation Reporting (Series), 2019
- Southwest Florida Young Journalist Award, 2019
- Society of Professional Journalists Sunshine State Award for Multimedia Feature (2nd Place), 2019
- Regional Edward R. Murrow Award for Excellence in Innovation, 2019

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Meal distribution for unhoused & food insecure neighbors
  - Volunteer - Les Gratuits Solidaire, 2024 - present
  - Volunteer - Centennial Park Helping Hands, 2020-2021
- Professional Mentor - Student Media Advisory Board
  - Florida Gulf Coast University, 2020-2021