Hajira Maryam

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#### Career Profile

Experienced multimedia journalist, researcher, events and campaign specialist.

#### EXPERIENCE

Soch Videos Karachi, Pakistan

Reporter and Producer

January 2022 - present

- o Finding news stories, pitching, and field reporting on relevant themes in the news cycle
- Co-ordinate and produce news reports on weekly basis for digital
- Working along with the news and documentary team, assigning stories, assembling findings and managing content, streamlining production from start to end

## Lahore University of Management Sciences

Karachi, Pakistan

Research Assistant

November 2021 - present

- Conducting research and analyzing findings
- o Conducting oral history interviews, online and on the field
- Finding participants for research
- o Transcription of interviews and analyzing findings from interviews and literature

Self-employed Various cities, Pakistan Freelance Journalist January 2021 - present

- o Pitching, writing and sub-editing high impact stories for broadcast, feature and news writing to media outlets.
- o Gathering interviews with observation and research. Working closely with respective editors to ensure feedback and proper
- o Outlets include Al Jazeera, Foreign Policy, TRT World, Rest of World and Deutsche Welle.

TRT World Istanbul, Turkey

Event Specialist and Social Media Manager

September 2017 - September 2020

- Responsible for social media strategy, campaigns, and finances of organization's events and conferences.
- o Organized TRT World Forum for three years, with over 1000 attendees and leading stakeholders from political, academic, scholarly and media backgrounds.
- Responsible for overseeing live tweeting, social cards, promo videos and relative content with team members during TRT World Forum and other live events.
- o Overseeing media content for Research Centre in relation to core events, and projects to provide future insights and monthly agenda for promotion.
- Lead campaigner and strategist of TRT World's short film competition: inShort
- o Coordinating with journalists and members of press during events, ensuring coverage on broadcast, digital and social media platforms.
- Collaborated with digital and promo departments in production of social media content through videos, text and tweets.

#### Digital Producer

- Lead producer for TRT World Research Centre's social digital interviews, Expert Interviews
- Worked closely with interview producers from news and programmes, organizing interviews with leading politicians and stakeholders.
- o Pitching, producing and writing feature and news stories.

## Assistant Researcher

- o Published 17 research articles (info-packs, discussion papers and policy briefs) with South Asia as a regional focus. Themes covered include conflict, refugees, diplomacy, geopolitics, gender and healthcare. Conducted research, editing and fact-checking.
- Published conference reports and briefs for key forums, charity events, and conferences organized by TRT World Research Centre.
- Edited and coordinated books on war reporting and the refugee crisis.
- Coordinated research projects with colleagues responsible for other regions.

# Oxford University Media Society

College Representative

Oxford, England January 2020 - April 2020

• Collaborated with President of Media Society in organizing, coordinating and marketing key events with leading journalists, directors, and media personalities as speakers.

• Responsible for digital outreach through media platforms, and content optimization of newsletters.

# United Nations (UNDP, IICPSD)

Intern

Istanbul, Turkey

February 2017 - June 2017

## Koç University, English Language Centre for Kids

English Teacher

Istanbul, Turkey Summer 2015, 2016, 2017

# Bahçeşehir University, Civilization Studies Centre

Student Researcher

Istanbul, Turkey January 2015 - January 2017

## EDUCATION

## University of Oxford

MSc. - Modern South Asian Studies

• Distinction in final thesis project

o Graduated with an overall merit

Oxford, England

September 2019 - December 2020

# Bahçeşehir University

Bachelors with high honors in Business Administration

Istanbul, Turkey October 2012 - January 2017

# AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Awarded a £2500 grant from the department of Modern South Asian Studies, University of Oxford.
- Successfully conducted a social media crowdfund (content creation, production, and social media outreach) for personal post-graduate education and raised £19,500 by building relationships with external sponsors and donors.
- Awarded full scholarship in sophomore year at Bahçeşehir University for outstanding academic achievement.

# SKILLS

- Technical: RStudio, MS Office, TweetDeck, Google Docs, Instagram, YouTube channel management and camera techniques.
- Languages: English (fluent, reading, writing, speaking), Urdu (fluent, reading, writing, speaking), Turkish (intermediate, speaking).
- Journalist: Interviewing, collecting data, analysing data, writing and editing.