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Professor – Researcher – Journalist –Coder

Experience

Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City June 2011-present

- Full time scholar in undergraduate and graduate programs of the Department of Communication.
- Journalism area coordinator. Selecting courses and recruiting teachers. Design and organization of workshops and seminars for and with journalists, students and NGOs.
- Coordinator of the Latin American Right to Information Program. Creation of a Seminar for Investigative Journalism and Access to Public Information in collaboration with Fundar, Periodistas de a Pie and other organizations.
- Visiting scholar at the Salzburg Academy on Media and Global Change with a special focus on the right to information, democracy and technology.
- Currently on leave for research.

International Consortium for Investigative Journalists (ICIJ), Washington D.C. April 2015-present

- Volunteer work - Historic documents research at the National Archives.
- Volunteer work - Research and data analysis with the Data Team.

Periodistas de a Pie (PdP), Mexico City 2007-present

- Cofounder, member of the board of directors.
- Researcher: Used public information for investigative journalism.
- Specialist in ethics, transparency and access to public information, promotion of digital skills for journalists to access public information, storytelling, data journalism.
- Organized workshops and trainings for journalists on ethics, journalism, digital skills and the right to information.
- Co-host of the Periodistas de a Pie TV show on Rompeviento TV.

Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas, University of Texas 2012-present

- Coordinator, instructor and moderator for various online courses about freedom of expression for Mexican journalists.
- Participant at the 11th Austin Forum (2013).

Red por la Rendición de Cuentas (Network of Accountability) Jan. 2012-December 2014

- Participation in activities, forums and panel discussions of the Network as a representative of Iberoamericana University. Subject of work: public participation and accountability.

Education

PhD, Humanistic Studies, specialization in applied ethics 2006-2014

Thesis title: Mechanisms of self-regulation: Tools needed for the development of journalism in Mexico.

Certification Date: January 23, 2014. Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico City.

Master, Humanistic Studies, specialization in applied ethics 2004-2006

Bachelor in Communication 1996-2000

Tecnológico de Monterrey, Estado de México. Mexico. (with honors)

Skills

Languages: Spanish, English / **Technology:** web development: HTML, CSS, Tarbell, Python, JavaScript; data analysis, spreadsheets, data scraping, content management (Wordpress) / **Information rights:** Application of right to information laws in Mexico and the US (FOIA) / **Public speaking and event organizing:** Facilitated and presented at dozens of workshops and events / **Teaching:** Academic, workshop, and informal settings; subjects include information rights, ethics, online journalism / **Conferences:** Participation in several conferences about freedom of expression, transparency and journalism in different countries.

References available upon request

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