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Skills

Fluent in Spanish »

Microsoft Excel »

Database creation and
management » Adobe

InDesign » Public records
law and requests

Education

California State

University, Fresno

Bachelor of Arts in Mass
communications and
journalism, May 2015

Experience

CALmatters » Education Reporter » September 2018 - Present

I cover the policy and politics at the California State Capitol impacting the nation's largest public-education system of 6 million students. This includes data-driven explanatory and investigative reporting from a statewide lens.

The Arizona Republic » Education Reporter » June 2015 - September 2018

As the paper's sole K-12 education reporter, I covered all state and local issues – the people, policy, and politics – surrounding Arizona's public education system of 1.1 million students.

I spearheaded months-long, data-driven enterprise projects, such as a first-of-its kind analysis on teacher quality across Arizona schools. I anchored wall-to-wall coverage of competitive breaking stories, such as Arizona's educator activism movement and ensuing six-day statewide teacher walkout – coverage that drew 7.6 million page views.

The Fresno Bee » Breaking News Reporter » December 2014 - May 2015

I reported on Central Valley crime as a breaking news reporter for my hometown paper.

The Desert Sun » News Intern » Summer 2014

As a summer intern, I led The Desert Sun and USA Today's breaking coverage of an immigration protest in Murrieta, CA that blocked three busloads of undocumented women and children from entering a local Border Patrol processing station.

The Collegian at Fresno State » 2011 - 2015

Served in the student newspaper all four years of college, including as editor in chief.

Recognition

» **Education Writers Association National Awards for Education Reporting** » 2017 finalist for Data Journalism

» **The Livingston Awards for Young Journalists** » 2017 finalist for Local Reporting

» **Arizona Press Club** » 2016 and 2017 finalist for Public Service Journalism