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INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER SPECIALIZING IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACCOUNTABILITY, USING PUBLIC RECORDS, DATA ANALYSIS AND FIELD-BASED VIDEOGRAPHY TO PRODUCE COMPELLING, COMMUNITY-CENTERED STORIES.

EDUCATION

Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Arizona State University

M.A. in Investigative Journalism

Anticipated Graduation Date
May, 2026

B.B.A. in Journalism and Mass Communication

GPA: 3.6

Minor in Criminal Justice

SKILLS

- Adobe Editing Programs
- AP-style writing
- Broadcast Script Writing
- Sourcing for expert interviews
- On-camera interviewing techniques
- Field videography
- Filing FOIA/Public Records Requests
- Open Source Intelligence (OSINT)
- Data Analysis (Excel, Google Sheets)
- Solutions and High-Impact Journalism Framework
- Reporting distributed through national and regional outlets

EXPERIENCE

- Jan. 2024- Present **LEAD INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER/PRODUCER**
HOWARD CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AT ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY
- Produced and edited investigative broadcast segments in Adobe Premiere under newsroom deadlines for publication on Scripps News.
 - Filed and tracked more than 15 public records requests examining evidence handling in police custody, uncovering previously unreported data. The story was published by the Texas Observer.
 - Identified and analyzed state and federal databases to support investigative reporting on criminal justice and Arizona health care oversight.
- Jan. 2025 - May 2025 **DOCUMENTARY INTERN**
VOX POP FILMS, LOS ANGELES, CA
- Collaborated with directors and cinematographers on investigative documentary structure, sourcing strategy and narrative development.
 - Organized and maintained production assets, research files and tracking spreadsheets to support investigative documentary development.
 - Assisted with on-set production tasks, maintained equipment readiness and supported field crew needs.
- Sept. 2025 **PBS FRONTLINE**
FIELD REPORTER
- Assisted producers and reporters with on-site coverage of a nationally significant political event.
 - Coordinated field logistics and ensured seamless production workflows under deadline pressure.
- Aug. 2023 - Jan. 2025 **DEPTH REPORTER**
WALTER CRONKITE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION AT ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY
- Reported from rural Costa Rica on labor conditions in the coffee industry, capturing field footage and interviews examining wage practices and worker protections.
 - Reported on health care access disparities in Costa Rican communities, using photography and field interviews to examine systemic inequities.
 - Investigated Arizona's prison health care system, analyzing public records and oversight data to examine medical treatment standards and accountability.
 - Integrated AI-assisted research tools and augmented reality elements to strengthen investigative storytelling and audience engagement.