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EDUCATION

Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, MS in digital and investigative journalism, 5/09

- Stabile Fellow in Investigative Journalism

Hampshire College, BA in Liberal Arts, focusing on International Affairs and Immigration, 2/06

- Wrote 150-page research paper unintended consequences of U.S.-Mexico border policy
 - Culmination of 12-month field research in Oaxaca, Chiapas, and along U.S.-Mexico border
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JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

Institute for Current World Affairs Fellow, *India, Spain, Morocco* 2/13--present

- Recipient of highly competitive independent research and writing fellowship. I spent five months writing about immigration, border, and religious conflict along India's Northern border shared with China, Nepal, Bangladesh and Burma. Research in Spain includes writing on food and culture, the economic crisis, religious conflict and border and immigration issues.

Staff Writer, Mint, *New Delhi, India*. 7/10-12/13

- Feature writer on social issues, including health, immigration, refugee issues, trafficking, gender, economic development and philanthropy for *Mint*, the national economic English-language newspaper for the *Hindustan Times*. On a team of three women to win first place for best feature writing from Society of Publishers in Asia Award 2012.

Fellow, Village Voice Media, *Phoenix, AZ*. 7/09-12/09

- Wrote features, blogs and news stories. Won three Arizona press club awards for feature-length cover stories. (2011; 1st place for immigration reporting, 2010; 1st place for Social Issues reporting, 3rd for Profile writing.)

Freelance Writer, 2005-2008

- Wrote stories ranging from human rights issues to African immigration to China, a two-week stay in a Buddhist monastery in South Korea, and immigration along the U.S.-Mexico border, for the *Wall Street Journal Asia*, *Foreign Policy Magazine*, *Far Eastern Economic Review*, *Reason Magazine*, Migration Policy Institute's monthly publication *The Source*, *Glimpse Magazine Quarterly* and *Living Now*

Robert L. Bartley Fellow. *The Wall Street Journal Asia*, *Hong Kong*. 5/07-8/07

- Wrote editorials, travel articles and feature-length articles on topics ranging from a popular Bun festival in Hong Kong, to human trafficking in Macau, refugees from North Korea, human rights in China, democracy in Fiji; also edited contributors articles and worked as letters editor
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SKILLS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Fluent **Spanish**; Conversational **Mandarin**, Intermediate **Hindi**
 - Society of Publishers in Asia Award 2012: 1st place for excellence feature writing. Arizona Press Club Award 2011: 1st place for immigration reporting. 2010; 1st place for Social Issues reporting, 3rd place for profile writing.
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REFERENCES

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