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*I am a member of the **Asian American Journalism Association**, the **National Association of Hispanic Journalists**, the **Society of Professional Journalists**, and the **Online News Association**.*

Professional Experience

BuzzFeed News

Live News Video Fellow

October 2017 – Currently

Production Assistant, #AM2DM

September 2017 – October 2017

TODAY Show Summer News Intern, NBCUniversal

June 2016 – August 2016

Assisted with on-air duties like green room and plaza. Helped with production in the field.

Fellow, UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism

August 2016 – May 2017

Helped first year graduate journalism students edit and publish work for *Oakland North*.

Women's Leadership Intensive Coordinator, UCB GenEq Resource Center

Feb. 2016 – June 2016

Planned a 5-day leadership intensive for 30 women. Organized and booked panelists, workshop leaders, food menu, and facilities.

Reporter, *Oakland North*

August 2015 – May 2016

Pitched, wrote, and filmed weekly stories for *Oakland North*.

Arts Editor, *The California Aggie*

May 2014 – June 2015

Managed a team of 10 writers. Planned weekly arts desk meetings and edited writers' articles.

Student Manager STACKs, Shields Library, UC Davis

March 2014 – March 2015

Managed student workers at Shields Library. Knowledge of Dewey decimal system.

Student Leader, The Culture C.O.-O.P.

March 2013 – June 2015

Helped manage a team of student interns at a non-profit create a documentary film.

Awards

Oakland North Graduate Fellowship – UC Berkeley, Graduate School of Journalism (2016, 2017)

Asian American Journalist Association NBC Summer Fellowship (2016)

Dean's Merit Fellowship – UC Berkeley, Graduate School of Journalism (2015)

Johnathan Rodgers Fellowship – UC Berkeley, Graduate School of Journalism (2015)

Education

B.A. in English, Summa Cum Laude, University of California, Davis 2015

M.A. in Journalism, University of California, Berkeley 2017

Trained in

Adobe Premiere Pro, After Effects, Lightroom, Illustrator, and Photoshop • Grabyo • SnappyTV •

SnapStream • WordPress • iNews • AVID • Media Central • Videography: Canon C100, Canon C300, Sony

NX70, Sony X70 • Photography: Canon Rebel T3i, Canon 5D, Canon 7D, Canon 70D • Audio for video