

EDUCATION

American University — Washington, DC

Master of Arts in International Media, May 2012

Focus: Information and Communication Technologies for Development, Comparative and International Communication Policy

California Polytechnic State University — San Luis Obispo, CA

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, December 2005

Senior Project: Founded Cal Poly Society of Professional Journalists Student Chapter

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<p>Principia College <i>Elsah, IL</i></p>	<p>Study Abroad Program Manager (July 2018 – Present)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage portfolio of off-campus, faculty-led study abroad and field programs • Collaborate with Principia Study Abroad office team, on-campus departments, and overseas and domestic partners to ensure coordination, compliance, and smooth operation of programs • Monitor and manage department and program budgets • Facilitate assessment of program and department learning outcomes • Design and implement Student Learning Outcome modules on Intercultural Competence and Multicultural Professional Development • Market programs to current students and outreach to new and transfer students • Coordinate student application and program acceptance process • Member of Principia Abroad Advisory Committee and Forum on Education Abroad
<p>Principia College <i>Elsah, IL</i></p>	<p>Faculty Advisor, The Principia Pilot (May 2020 – August 2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught MCOM 028: Newspaper Production and MCOM 228: Newspaper Practicum • Mentored <i>Pilot</i> editors, writers, photographers, and designers, including discussion of ethical guidelines • Served on Student Media Guidelines Task Force
<p>DiscoveryBound <i>Remote</i></p>	<p>National Leadership Council (NLC) Class Leader (November 2017 – January 2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitated 4-year leadership development program for class of 17 students • Designed and implemented curriculum on various subjects including the Student Leadership Challenge, Institute for Global Ethics, The Greatest Thing in the World, and Acts of the Apostles • Mentored students’ successful completion of capstone projects, internships, and Congressional Award • Supported individual and group growth through challenging dynamics and behavioral misconduct
<p>DiscoveryBound <i>Denver, CO</i></p>	<p>National Leadership Council (NLC) Program Director (November 2016 – July 2018)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managed a 4-year, service-based leadership program for 160 high school students nationwide • Recruited and trained 16 class leaders in remote facilitation and digital communication • Coached and supported class leaders with group dynamics and teen behavior management • Developed and maintained relationships with all NLC program stakeholders • Implemented and assessed NLC curriculum and resources • Crafted communication content for program including flyers, website, and bi-annual reports • Designed and distributed annual NLC program evaluation; collected and analyzed results for reports • Created and monitored \$550,000 annual budget; designed and executed five-year strategic plan <p>NLC Program Supervisor (April 2014 – August 2016)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processed mentor applications and facilitated mentor training • Evaluated teen applications and interviewed teen and parents for program class selection • Organized and maintained curriculum and facilitation resources in addition to program database
<p>Principia College <i>Elsah, IL</i></p>	<p>Residential/Community Educator (RCE) – Greece & Italy Study Abroad (August 2016 – November 2016)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operated as part of a 14-week, faculty/staff team on a faculty-led education abroad program • Managed student welfare; facilitated group meetings, debrief, and character education sessions • Coordinated in-country logistics and managed program budget/expenses • Enforced institutions’ education abroad policies and procedures

<p>The Christian Science Monitor Boston, MA</p>	<p><i>Infographics Editor (June 2013 – February 2014)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Produced 20 in-depth, online infographics on relevant and timely issues including immigration myths, Iran’s nuclear capacity, the Affordable Care Act, and racial inequality Researched and compiled data for infographic content; collaborated with graphic designer <p><i>Writer/Editor (May 2012 – May 2013)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed and reported stories for the national news desk on issues including politics, education, religion, society, and health care; proofread and edited stories for website and guest blogs
<p>Investigative Reporting Workshop Washington, DC</p>	<p><i>Research Assistant (September 2010 – April 2012)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Researched and wrote journalists’ career timelines for the Workshop’s Investigating Power project Conducted research and fact checking for a variety of investigative news projects involving state X-ray regulations, broadband connections, and the NBC Universal-Comcast merger Monitored and updated the Workshop’s social media content including Facebook and Twitter Compiled Google analytics and social media metrics for Workshop grant reports
<p>National Geographic Society Washington, DC</p>	<p><i>Web and Editorial Production Assistant (May 2011 – August 2011)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinated web production of crowd-sourced Travel Favorites project including trouble shooting, data entry, and location mapping using National Geographic’s in-house content management system Conducted fact-checking and research for stories published on the Travel section of the National Geographic website Updated metadata for user-generated photo galleries to enhance search engine optimization (SEO)
<p>International Women’s Media Foundation Washington, DC</p>	<p><i>Research and Communications Associate (January 2011 – May 2011)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted research and compiled summaries on candidates nominated for IWMF’s annual Courage in Journalism and Lifetime Achievement Awards Wrote blogs and session reports during the International Conference for Women Media Leaders Networked with media organizations to identify women leaders in the industry worldwide
<p>U.S. Peace Corps Tamale and Ofosu, Ghana</p>	<p><i>National Volunteer Coordinator & Trainer (November 2008 – December 2009)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designed and facilitated interactive trainings for 120 volunteers and 250 host-country partners on national gender-awareness and HIV-prevention initiatives Mentored volunteers on project management and personal well-being Managed facilities, equipment, resources, and daily administrative needs of Peace Corps sub-office <p><i>Community Health Educator (September 2006 – November 2008)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborated with local health workers to implement district-wide health education programs for rural populations on malaria, family planning, maternal/child nutrition, and HIV prevention

CERTIFICATIONS

Facilitating Intercultural Learning – True North Intercultural LLC

Professional Certification in Education Abroad – Forum on Education Abroad (*In process*)

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Citizen Security and Social Media in Mexico’s Public Sphere, co-author

Virtualis – July 2013 ([Link](#))

Virtualis is a semi-annual publication edited by Tecnológico de Monterrey through the Research Directorate of the School of Humanities and Education. The research focused on the broader issue of citizen security in Mexico, how it is being discussed in the public sphere, and how this is changing the public sphere. With the increase in drug-related violence since 2006, people are obtaining and sharing information about citizen security in Mexico through information and communication technologies. Access to social media (Facebook, Twitter, blogs, etc.) is transforming the public sphere as various sectors (civil society, media and the government) figure out how to engage people and create niche networks on these various platforms. The decentralized nature of citizen security and disruptions in traditional communication channels are forcing citizens to seek information and discuss these issues online.