

## **JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE**

### **Atlantic Media Company, Washington, DC**

**Sep. 2008-present**

#### *Digital Media Fellow*

Traveled to Afghanistan to report on the British troops and the Afghan police; Working to help research, design, launch, write and edit new features and sites; Implementing social media in new and existing websites; Working on an opinion analysis/aggregation site that will launch in September; Editing the homepage of the Atlantic.com; Editing graphics, art and multimedia across several Atlantic.com features

### **News21, Carnegie-Knight Journalism Fellowship, New York, NY**

**Summer 2008**

#### *Multimedia Reporter, Immigration and Politics special project*

Reported and produced an online package on how South Asians in Texas' 22<sup>nd</sup> district could affect a political race

### **Forbes.com, New York, NY**

**Summer 2007**

#### *Intern*

Reported and wrote stories for special projects and did Q&As with executives

### **The Pioneer Frontier, Tusculum College, Greeneville, TN**

**2003-2007**

#### *Editor-In-Chief/News Editor/Writer*

Broke several stories on campus including illegal drug sale and burglary by safety officer; Assigned stories and managed a team of 15 staff writers and reporters; Produced up to three news stories for the front page every issue

### **Newsweek International, New York, NY**

**Summer 2006**

#### *Editorial Research Intern*

Interviewed world figures including Boutros Boutros-Ghali, former UN Secretary General, Brian Urquhart, former UN Under Secretary General; Worked with foreign correspondents and writers to edit weekly stories

### **The Himalayan Times, Kathmandu, Nepal**

**Summer 2003**

#### *Reporter/Intern*

Wrote about 30 news/feature stories over three months including exclusive features on nation's oldest college, Nepal's first international satellite telecom company and the Mt. Everest Golden Jubilee celebration

**OTHER EXPERIENCE:** Blogger (Dispatches from Afghanistan/SAJAForum); Shift Leader, Duane Reade retail store (New York); Dishwasher, Italian restaurant (Tennessee); Independent tourist guide (Nepal)

## **EDUCATION**

### **Columbia University, Graduate School of Journalism (New Media), New York, M.S. May 2008**

Coursework includes Covering Conflicts, International Reporting, International Newsroom and Interactive workshop

### **Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee, B.A. English, Magna cum Laude, May 2007**

**Bard Globalization and International Affairs Program (Trends in Terrorism & Counterterrorism), New York, 2006**

**Imperial College of London, England (sophomore year abroad), January 2005 – May 2005**

## **AWARDS**

- South Asian Journalist Association Reporting Fellowship, 2009
- Henry N. Taylor Award for best student from International division, Columbia University, 2008
- Foreign Press Association Scholarship (won first prize of \$10,000 in national competition), New York, 2008
- Winnick Prize (for best story from J-school's reporting & writing seminar), Columbia University, 2008
- Madam Vivian Yen Innovation Fellowship for Young Journalists, Columbia University, 2007
- Bruce G. Batts Award (highest honor for a graduating senior), Tusculum College, 2007

**Skills:** Digital audio/video recording/editing, Photography, Photoshop, Flash, Dreamweaver, Final Cut Pro, Audacity

**Language:** Hindi and Nepali (fluent), Urdu (conversational)