

Malak Habbak

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EXPERIENCE

Broadcast Associate, CBS Mornings, Los Angeles, CA April 2019 – Jan. 2022

- Co-produced a feature segment looking back at man's first landing on the moon in 1969.
- Reported from the 2020 Golden Globes ceremony and interviewed nominees on the red carpet and backstage.
- Researched and delivered latest editorial to correspondents covering wildfires, from Australia to California, minutes before air.
- Field-produced segments on a variety of topics, from a couple's proposal at Adele's "One Night Only" concert, to train robberies in Los Angeles, to hospitals setting up overflow tents amid COVID-19 surges.

Assistant to Executive Producer, CBS Evening News, New York, NY Jan. 2018 – March 2019

- Provided primary source research and compiled statistics on Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family's role in the opioid epidemic.
- Secured visual elements and traveled with producer to interview victims who endured abuse by Dr. Reginald Archibald.
- Verified anchor copy, scripts, and graphics as a last line of defense before air, from the White House covering the 35-day U.S. government shutdown to the deadly protests in Venezuela as its economy reeled on the brink of collapse.

News Associate, 60 Minutes, New York, NY June 2017 – Jan. 2018

- Translated, fact-checked, and co-produced stories in Syria, Yemen, and Afghanistan.
- Examined federal court records and conducted pre-interviews for Russian money and Trump real estate research.
- Obtained in-house and third-party footage for a profile about an undercover FBI agent who infiltrated al-Qaeda.
- Collected social media elements for the October mass shooting in Las Vegas, the largest in modern U.S. history.

Editorial Fellow, The Intercept, New York, NY Feb. 2017 – May 2017

- Wrote stories on the Trump administration and conflicts in the Middle East.
- Filed public records requests, copy edited and researched articles on immigration, politics, and criminal justice.
- Co-produced social video and assisted lead producer on a six-part video series on data security.

Reporter, Beacon Media News Inc., Monrovia, CA Dec. 2016 – Feb. 2017

- Produced an article and photographs for the Los Angeles Women's March.
- Covered cell tower proposals and town funds at city council meetings.
- Wrote a feature story about a physician who dedicates his life to classical music street performance.

Capital Public Radio Intern, NPR, Sacramento, CA June 2016 – Sept. 2016

- Researched and produced a photo essay for the digital series, "A Year At Encina," exploring change in suburban Sacramento.
- Took photos at the California Legislature's final day of session and wrote a blog post on a health care bill.
- Contributed Instagram campaign stories to document Latino millennials' voting patterns in the 2016 presidential election.

Writer, The Poly Post, Pomona, CA Sept. 2014 – June 2016

- Covered student presidential campaigns, campus policies, cultural festivals, state audits, and national grants for Cal Poly Pomona's student newspaper, which reaches 20,000 students and staff.
- Photographed campus events, competitions, entertainers, and protests.

Fault Lines Intern, Al Jazeera English, Washington D.C. Sept. 2015 – Dec. 2015

- Established contacts and delivered news to producers in Chicago during the release of the Laquan McDonald shooting video.
- Translated messages from English to Arabic between journalists and CIA detainees.
- Monitored demonstrations, vigils, and shootings on social media and interviewed specialists that focus on neurobiological and early brain development for a documentary examining the effects of gun violence on kids.

SKILLS

- Fluent in Arabic and intermediate in Spanish.
- Worked in ENPS and Avid and proficient in Premiere Pro, Photoshop and InDesign, and WordPress.

HONORS

- New York Press Club Award for Continued COVID-19 Coverage 2021
- Best Undergraduate Student Project Library Research Award, Cal Poly Pomona 2015 – 2016
- Outstanding Graduating Student Communication Department Award, Cal Poly Pomona 2015 – 2016

EDUCATION

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona June 2016
B.S. in Communication, emphasis Journalism GPA 3.9

- Summa Cum Laude/ Kellogg Honors College