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Experience

STAT, general assignment reporter and associate editorial director of events, Washington, D.C. Sept. 2020 – Dec. 2024

- Reported [news stories and longform features](#) on racial health inequities, including an award-winning 5,000-word story about “[hot spots of death](#)” where young men in the U.S. are dying at higher rates from colorectal cancer; Documented my own [colonoscopy](#) for the story, which was featured on [Good Morning America](#).
- Hosted and scripted the award-winning health equity podcast [Color Code](#), which ran for two seasons (22 episodes).
- Emceed and programmed a dozen in-person summits, including STAT’s flagship Boston Summit, Breakthrough Summits East & West, STAT@ASH, STAT in DC, and STATUS List Dinner; moderated 25+ virtual events; interviewed former surgeon general [Dr. Jerome Adams](#), [Admiral Rachel Levine](#), actor [Seth Rogen](#), [Dr. Uché Blackstock](#), and astronaut Nicole Stott.
- Moderated panels at Aspen Ideas Festival: Health, Milken Institute Future of Health Summit and Global Conference, HLTH; interviewed Dr. Anthony Fauci, popstar Nick Jonas, Rep. Debbie Dingell, and 23andMe CEO Anne Wojcicki on-stage.
- Conducted Q&As with [scientists studying space health](#), biotech and pharma executives, and [Vice President Kamala Harris](#).
- Recruited and managed 10 interns; Chaired diversity committee; Established STAT’s yearlong Disability Reporting Fellowship; Co-chair and founding member of NABJ’s Science & Health Taskforce; Diversity Chair for National Assoc. of Science Writers.

The New York Times

Freelance science writer, San Francisco Bay Area, CA
Intermediate science reporter, New York City

Feb. 2018 – Aug 2020
Apr. 2015 – Jan. 2018

- [Wrote 350+ news stories](#) about space, paleontology, and archaeology for the Science desk as a staff reporter and then freelance contributor, including a feature about how the FBI used ancient DNA to identify a [4,000-year-old mummy head](#).
- Covered the 2017 total solar eclipse from Carbondale, Ill.; Contributed to most-viewed science story of the year (5M+ page views); Reported Science Times cover stories on globetrotting [eclipse chasers](#), a [college town caught in totality](#), and scientists pursuing the [moon’s shadow by jet plane](#); Wrote NYT for Kids cover stories about exoplanets and the Curiosity Mars rover.

The Atlantic, assistant editor, New York City

Nov. 2014 – Apr. 2015

- [Wrote 60 science news stories](#) on topics like a space probe landing on a comet and Africa’s efforts to eradicate Guinea worm.

Internships: *Scientific American* ‘14 · *NPR Science* ‘14 · *The San Jose Mercury News* ‘14 · *Science Magazine* ‘12

Awards

2023 June L. Biedler Prize for Cancer Journalism, [Online/Multimedia American Association for Cancer Research](#)

- Won for “Chadwick Boseman’s tragedy is America’s tragedy: In colorectal cancer hot spots, young men are dying.”

2022 North American Digital Media Awards, [World Association of News Publishers](#)

- Won in the “Best Podcast” category for *Color Code*.

2021 Evert Clark/Seth Payne Award, [Council for the Advancement of Science Writing](#)

- [Won the top annual](#) U.S. prize for science journalists age 30 or younger for my “reporting, particularly on topics around race, medicine, and research.”

2021 Eppy Award; 2022 Runner-up [Editor & Publisher Magazine](#)

- Awarded in the best [investigative/enterprise video](#) category for the video “An unusual 30th birthday gift: Why I got a colonoscopy so young — and documented every step;” Runner-up for 2022 “[Best Podcast](#)” category for *Color Code*.

2018 Gene S. Stuart Award, [Society for American Archaeology](#)

- [Awarded for the feature](#) story “[Medical Tales from a Crypt in Lithuania](#),” which appeared in *The New York Times*. The award honors outstanding efforts to enhance the public understanding of archaeology.
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Education

UC Santa Cruz, Science Communication Program · Graduate Certificate 2014 ([Master’s Degree equivalent](#) as of 2018)

Cornell University, Ithaca, New York · B.S. Biological Sciences; Minor in Communications 2013