

Melina Chalkia

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EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism | Evanston, Ill.

September 2019 – June 2023

- *Bachelor of Science*, Major in Journalism, Minor in International Studies
- GPA: 3.85/4.00, *Dean's List: Spring 2020-Spring 2023*
- Relevant Coursework: [Production with PBS](#), [Video Reporting](#), Producing for Social Media, International Affairs

SKILLS & AWARDS

Computer: Bloomberg Terminal, Adobe Premiere Pro, After Effects, Photoshop, ENPS, iNews, Media Source, Canon XF705, Microsoft Office, Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, TikTok, Snapchat

Languages: English, Native Greek, Conversational Spanish

Certificates: *Bloomberg* Market Concepts Certificate, *Sciences Po* Politics and Economics of International Energy

Awards: 2023 SPJ Mark of Excellence Award for Best Broadcast In-Depth Reporting and Best All-Around TV News Magazine, 2022-2023 NATAS Student Emmy Award Nominee

WORK EXPERIENCE

Bloomberg News / New York, NY

January 2024 – March 2024

Reporting Intern, Credit Markets

- Pitched and wrote data-driven [stories](#) on public finance and the municipal bond market, covering high-yield and investment grade debt deals managed by some of the biggest US banks, reporting on credit ratings, large market moves, muni returns and valuations, state debt and tax revenues, conducting interviews with analysts and investors
- Collaborated with market teams on breaking news and enterprise stories from NJ Transit to fintech, assisting the muni team with data research, getting scoops on upcoming deals and making source connections across the industry

NGTV – ERT World / New York, NY

September 2022 – December 2023

News Correspondent

- Interviewed [Greek Prime Minister](#) Kiriakos Mitsotakis, covering the 2023 UN General Assembly from the UN headquarters, speaking to Greek Ambassadors, the Greek Consul General, members of Greek parliament
- Reported live for national Greek channels from New York City, covering politics, [shipping](#) and Greece's [wildfires](#)

Scripps News / Chicago, Ill.

January 2023 – March 2023

Intern for The Why

- Worked as a reporter and segment producer on a primetime news program focused on hyper-visual explainer journalism, reporting and fronting [stories](#) from business to lifestyle, diving deeper into the context behind the headlines
- Produced three-block topic segments for *The Why*, planning and writing the rundown, working with a booker to schedule show guests, writing guest interview questions with talent, finding visual elements, producing explainers for the show
- Assisted producers in writing, editing, cutting soundbites and video for the show, worked with graphics team

NBC / New York City, N.Y.

June 2022 – August 2022

Social Newsgathering Intern

- Used social forensic, newsgathering and verification techniques to find visual elements and sources for all NBCU platforms, conducting interviews and covering national and global news ranging from mass shootings to wildfires
- Incorporated open-source storytelling to write breaking news and human-interest [articles](#), learning how to verify information and working with the standards team to make editorial decisions on ethical considerations for each story

CNN / Remote, Washington D.C.

January 2022 – April 2022

Political Unit Intern

- Communicated with state and local officials from more than 30 states and compiled research ahead of the 2022 midterm elections, including candidate information, voter and polling information
- Contributed to live election coverage for the Texas midterm elections, by monitoring 20 news networks on their poll results for every office

CNN | Abu Dhabi, UAE

August 2021 – September 2021

Intern for CNN Connect the World

- Covered breaking news during the Taliban takeover in Afghanistan, conducted research, cut file footage, pitched stories and guests daily, assisted with newsgathering, floor managing and teleprompting
- Wrote and published content for social media, getting more than 60k impressions on breaking news across platforms, including Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook
- Produced, wrote, and edited a TV [segment](#), showcasing the work of an Afghan photographer