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EDUCATION:

Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, Master of Science, May 2000

Pace University, Bachelor of Arts, Graduated **Cum Laude**, May 1999

ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

Pennsylvania State University, Journalism Department, State College, MA
Associate Teaching Professor, August 2019-Present

University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Journalism Department, Amherst, MA
Assistant Professor, January 2013-August 2019

American University in Cairo, Journalism Department, Cairo, Egypt
Lecturer at Assistant Professor Level, August 2007-Jan. 2010

Pace University, Communications Department, New York, New York
Adjunct Lecturer, January 2005- May 2007

ACADEMIC/LITERARY PUBLISHED WORK:

“The Prison Writer’s Guide to Media Writing” (Co-authored with Yukari Kane), Prison Journalism Project (April 2024)

“The Prison Journalism Project’s Quick Journalism Reference Guide ” (Co-authored with Yukari Kane and Kate McQueen), *The Sentences That Create Us: Crafting A Writer's Life in Prison*, Edited by Caitis Messner, Part I: Foundations of Creative Writing, Haymarket Books (January 2022)

#Islamophobia: Stoking Fear and Prejudice in the 2018 Midterms (Co-authored with Lawrence Pintak, Jonathan Albright and Brian J. Bowe), Social Science Research Council (November 2019)

“The Color of Being Muslim,” *Burn it Down*, Edited by Lilly Dancyger, Chapter 16, Seal Press (October 2019)

Mirror on the Veil: A Collection of Personal Essays on Hijab and Veiling (Co-edited with Nausheen Pasha-Zaidi), London: Critical, Cultural and Communications Press (April 2017)

“American Apocalypse: Portrayals of Islam and Judaism in the Post-9/11 Electronic Church,” *The Electronic Church in the Digital Age: Cultural Impacts of Evangelical Mass Media*, Edited by Mark Ward Sr., Chapter 10, Praeger (November 2015)

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS:

Named 2025-2026 AEJMC Institute for Diverse Leadership in Journalism and Mass Communication *Jennifer McGill Fellow*
Selected to participate in Fall 2025 *Penn State Emerging Academic Leaders Program*
Nominated for the 2024 Penn State University *Dr. James Robinson Equal Opportunity Award*
Nominated for the 2024 *Penn State University Teaching Award*
Nominated for the *Scripps Howard 2023 Journalism Teacher of the Year Award*
Recipient of 2023 Penn State University *Kappa Tau Alpha Keith P. Sanders Outstanding Service Award*
Recipient of 2022 Penn State University *Emerging Faculty Outreach Award*
Recipient of 2022 Penn State University Dean’s *Excellence Award for Integrated Scholarship*
Awarded Facebook Journalism Project Scholarship for *Spring 2021 Entrepreneurial Journalism Creator’s Program* at CUNY-Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism
Awarded first place for 2020 Public Media Journalists Association *Annual Award for Commentary Writing* (Midsized Public Media Station)
Recipient of 2019 SAJA *Excellence in Journalism Award for Nonfiction Writing* (About South Asia or South Asian Diaspora)
Recipient of 2018 *Fulbright Specialist* designation (Assigned to Pakistan)
Named 2018 Harvard University *Knight Visiting Nieman Fellow*
Named 2017 UMass Amherst *Civic Engagement and Service-Learning Faculty Fellow*
Named 2017 Society of Professional Journalists *Dori Maynard Diversity Leadership Fellow*
Recipient of the Donald W. Reynolds National Center for Business Journalism’s *Business Journalism Professor’s Fellowship* award
Recipient of *Donald T. Sheehan International Scholarship Award* to Wharton Seminars for Business Journalists.

JOURNALISTIC PUBLISHED/AIRED WORK:

AltMuslimah/Jewschool, Contributor

ARTICLE: *Interfaith Solidarity: Triumphs and Backlash*

URL: <https://jewschool.com/2017/10/80435/interfaith-solidarity-triumphs-backlash/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 10/16/17

American Fault/lines with Lawrence Pintak, Contributing Reporter

Report, write and narrate segments for 10-episode post-inauguration radio show airing on top-rated news/talk station WKXL in Portland, Oregon. Topics worked on include the crisis in trust of news media, Muslims in Trump’s America and the debate over sanctuary cities.

LINK TO AUDIO: <https://soundcloud.com/user-651056102-77367213>

Bloomberg Law, Contributing Writer

Report, research and write feature articles for subscription-based special reports dealing with regulatory, political and technology trends impacting the U.S. legal industry.
January 2019 – January 2021

Daily Beast, Contributing Writer

ARTICLE: *Swipe Right for Islamic Love*

URL: <http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2015/02/23/western-muslims-swipe-right-to-find-their-match-on-minder.html>

DATE PUBLISHED: 2/23/15

ARTICLE: *Disco Mullah Blasphemy Row Highlights Pakistan's Hypocrisy*

URL: <http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2014/12/21/disco-mullah-blasphemy-row-highlights-pakistan-s-hypocrisy.html>

DATE PUBLISHED: 12/21/14

ARTICLE: *Islamic Feminism Splits Muslim Community*

URL: <http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2014/09/21/twin-visions-of-islamic-feminism-split-muslim-community.html>

DATE PUBLISHED: 9/21/14

The Daily Hampshire Gazette, Columnist

ARTICLE: *Where Memory Lives*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Columnist-Shaheen-Pasha-26162679>

DATE PUBLISHED: 6/12/19

ARTICLE: *The Lies We Tell Our Children*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Shahen-Pasha-column-25517503>

DATE PUBLISHED: 5/14/19

ARTICLE: *Embracing My Daughter's Superpower*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Columnist-Shaheen-Pasha-Embracing-my-daughter-s-superpower-24724404>

DATE PUBLISHED: 4/10/19

ARTICLE: *The Exhaustion of Being Muslim*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Shahen-Pasha-The-exhaustion-of-being-Muslim-in-America-24105674>

DATE PUBLISHED: 3/14/19

ARTICLE: *We Have a Language Problem*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Pasha-column-23460315>

DATE PUBLISHED: 2/14/19

ARTICLE: *Finally Being Seen as a Muslim-American Woman*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Pasha-column-22645926>

DATE PUBLISHED: 1/9/19

ARTICLE: *The Public, the Press, and the Power of the Printed Word*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Pasha-column-22127425>

DATE PUBLISHED: 12/13/18

ARTICLE: *My pain is not your distraction*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Pasha-column-21361016>

DATE PUBLISHED: 11/6/18

ARTICLE: *We need to talk about sexual assault in the classroom*

URL: <https://www.gazettenet.com/Pasha-column-20763012>

DATE PUBLISHED: 10/11/18

The Dallas Morning News, Contributing Commentator

ARTICLE: *Why it's important to reduce COVID-19 in prisons*

URL: <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2021/01/24/why-its-important-to-reduce-covid-in-prisons/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 1/31/21

ARTICLE: *Muslim-American politicians face Islamophobia online, but hardly ever from their constituents*

URL: <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2019/12/08/muslim-american-politicians-face-islamophobia-online-but-hardly-ever-from-their-constituents/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 12/8/19

ARTICLE: *Is it legal for a politician to block a constituent on social media?*

URL: <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2018/11/04/politicians-not-silence-dissent-social-media>

DATE PUBLISHED: 11/5/18

ARTICLE: *Let's recapture the spirit of kindness Americans expressed after 9/11*

URL: <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2018/09/09/lets-recapture-the-spirit-of-kindness-that-americans-expressed-after-911>

DATE PUBLISHED: 9/9/18

ARTICLE: *It's time for Muslims to talk about sexual misconduct among our Islamic preachers*

URL: <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2017/12/07/time-muslims-talk-sexual-misconduct-among-islamic-preachers>

DATE PUBLISHED: 12/7/17

ARTICLE: *The U.S. justice system has an autism problem*

URL: <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2017/08/15/us-justice-system-autism-problem>

DATE PUBLISHED: 8/15/17

ARTICLE: *Jihad is personal for me and no, it's not terrorism*

URL: <https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2017/07/10/jihad-personal-terrorism>

DATE PUBLISHED: 7/10/17

ARTICLE: *School choice raises fears for our children with special needs*

URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2017/02/28/school-choice-raises-fear-vulnerable-students>

DATE PUBLISHED: 2/28/17

ARTICLE: *Trump won, and now my teen daughter wishes she were white*

URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2016/11/15/trump-won-now-teenage-daughter-wishes-white>

DATE PUBLISHED: 11/15/16

ARTICLE: *By boycotting Iran over hijab, the U.S. chess player wastes a valuable opportunity*

URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2016/10/19/boycotting-iran-hijab-us-chess-player-wastes-valuable-opportunity>

DATE PUBLISHED: 10/19/16

ARTICLE: *How defending gay marriage helped me stand up for Islam*

URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/latest-columns/20160616-shaheen-pasha-how-defending-gay-marriage-helped-me-stand-up-for-islam.ece>

DATE PUBLISHED: 6/16/16

ARTICLE: *How my NICU baby taught me to let go of control*

URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/latest-columns/20160523-shaheen-pasha-how-my-nicu-baby-taught-me-to-let-go-of-control.ece>

DATE PUBLISHED: 5/23/16

ARTICLE: *How Western Muslim women bear a double burden*

URL: <http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/latest-columns/20160411-shaheen-pasha-how-western-muslim-women-bear-a-double-burden.ece>

DATE PUBLISHED: 4/11/16

Longreads, Contributor

ARTICLE: *Following the North Star*

URL: <https://longreads.com/2020/05/01/following-the-north-star/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 5/1/2020

MediaShift, Contributor

ARTICLE: *The Fallacy of 'Safe Space' on College Campuses*

URL: <http://mediashift.org/2015/12/the-fallacy-of-safe-space-on-college-campuses/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 12/2/15

Medium, Guest Editor

Commissioned to guest edit special collection of personal essays from incarcerated men and women in the United States. Charged with creation of topics, procuring essays, selection of contributions for project and working with incarcerated writers to edit and publish their pieces for special collection, October 2018-January 2019

Narratively, Contributor

ARTICLE: *Searching for the Woman Who Saved My Immigrant Family From Homelessness*

URL: <http://narrative.ly/for-decades-shame-kept-my-dads-schizophrenia-secret-from-our-pakistani-immigrant-community/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 2/26/18

ARTICLE: *For Decades, Shame Kept My Dad's Schizophrenia Secret From Our Pakistani Immigrant Community*

URL: <http://narrative.ly/searching-woman-saved-immigrant-family-homelessness/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 8/10/17

Nieman Reports, Contributing Writer

ARTICLE: *Why We Need More Journalism Courses Taught in Prison*

URL: <http://niemanreports.org/articles/why-we-need-more-journalism-courses-taught-in-prison/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 8/9/18

ARTICLE: *Empowering Incarcerated People to Tell Their Own Stories*

URL: <https://niemanreports.org/articles/empowering-incarcerated-people-to-tell-their-own-stories/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 5/6/21

New England Public Radio, Contributing Commentator

RADIO COMMENTARY: *We Have a Language Problem*

URL: <https://www.nepr.net/post/we-have-language-problem>

DATE AIRED: 3/29/19

RADIO COMMENTARY: *A Journalist's Challenge To Her Colleagues*

URL: <http://nepr.net/post/journalists-challenge-her-colleagues#stream/0>

DATE AIRED: 5/10/17

RADIO COMMENTARY: *Journalists: Members of the Opposition Party?*

URL (Transcript and audio file): <http://nepr.net/news/2017/02/27/journalists-members-opposition-party/>

DATE AIRED: 2/27/17

RADIO COMMENTARY: *When Not-Bad People Obey Not-Good Orders*

URL (Transcript and audio file): <http://nepr.net/news/2017/02/17/not-bad-people-obey-not-good-orders/>

DATE AIRED: 2/17/17

RADIO COMMENTARY: *A Muslim Mother Tries to Reassure Her Kids They Do Belong Here*

URL (Transcript and audio file): <http://nepr.net/news/2016/11/04/115253/>

DATE AIRED: 11/4/16

Public Radio International (PRI) Across Women's Lives, Contributing Commentator

ARTICLE: *As a woman in media, sexual harassment was the norm. I was told to keep it to myself.*

URL: <https://www.pri.org/stories/2017-10-20/female-journalist-sexual-harassment-was-norm-i-was-told-keep-it-myself>

DATE PUBLISHED: 10/20/17

Quartz, Contributor:

ARTICLE: *Getting elected Egypt's president is nothing compared to fixing its economy*

URL: <http://qz.com/215320/getting-elected-egypts-president-is-nothing-compared-to-fixing-its-economy/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 5/31/14

ARTICLE: *Jailhouse Journalism – The Egyptian revolution has failed*

URL: <http://qz.com/164500/the-egyptian-revolution-has-failed/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 1/8/14

ARTICLE: *23andMe revealed a condition it took my doctors 6 years to diagnose*

URL: <http://qz.com/151817/23andme-revealed-a-condition-it-took-my-doctors-six-years-to-diagnose/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 11/27/13

ARTICLE: *A 26-year-old Harry Potter fan is trying to beat Amazon in the Arab world*

URL: <http://qz.com/137379/a-26-year-old-harry-potter-fan-is-trying-to-beat-amazon-in-the-arab-world/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 10/28/13

ARTICLE: *Some unlikely players are getting into Islamic finance*

URL: <http://qz.com/130391/some-unlikely-players-are-getting-into-islamic-finance/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 10/2/13

ARTICLE: *The burqa is coming to the rescue of Pakistani women*

URL: <http://qz.com/111755/the-burqa-is-coming-to-the-rescue-of-pakistani-women/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 8/05/13

ARTICLE: *Al Jazeera runs up against Egypt's mistrust of Qatar*

URL: <http://qz.com/105870/al-jazeera-runs-up-against-egypts-mistrust-of-qatar/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 7/23/13

ARTICLE: *Dubai's towering skyscrapers are built by a "horribly exploitative labor system"*

URL: <http://qz.com/88278/dubais-towering-skyscrapers-are-built-by-a-horribly-exploitative-labor-system/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 5/27/13

ARTICLE: *The Grad Student Who Exposed Reinhart and Rogoff: They still can't get their facts straight*

URL: <http://qz.com/79051/thomas-herndon-the-grad-student-who-exposed-reinhart-and-rogoff-they-still-cant-get-their-facts-straight/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 4/29/13

ARTICLE: *Egyptians, read these three charts before you shun Qatar's aid and burn its flags*

URL: <http://qz.com/74728/cairos-qatarization-may-be-a-necessary-evil/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 4/16/13

ARTICLE: *How Qatar University's language policy is holding back students*

URL: <http://qz.com/69698/how-qatar-universitys-language-policy-is-holding-back-students/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 4/2/13

ARTICLE: *HSBC shuts out Iranian, Libyan, and Syrian clients – unless they're seriously rich*

URL: <http://qz.com/62010/hsbc-shuts-out-iranian-libyan-and-syrian-clients-unless-theyre-seriously-rich/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 3/12/13

Raconteur, Guest Editor

Commissioned to guest edit 16-page special supplement on Islamic finance in the UK for distribution in The Times (London). Managed a staff of six freelance journalists; commissioned and edited articles, aided in graphics. Wrote case studies for Islamic finance growth in Malaysia, UK, Turkey, and Oman, April 2013:

<http://np.netpublicator.com/netpublication/n28118167>

StateCollege.com, Guest Contributor

ARTICLE: Op-Ed: Criminalizing Children is Not the Answer

URL: <https://www.statecollege.com/op-ed-criminalizing-children-is-not-the-answer/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 2/18/22

USA Today, Contributor

ARTICLE: *Voices: Donald Trump Is My Son's Bogeyman*

URL: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/voices/2015/12/10/voices-donald-trump-my-sons-bogeyman/77088272/>

DATE PUBLISHED: 12/10/15

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL COURSES TAUGHT:

Ethics of Journalism (Penn State University)
News Writing (Penn State University)
Mindfulness in Media: Navigating Trauma as a Journalist (Penn State University)
Opinion Writing (Penn State University, UMass Amherst)
Introduction to Journalism (UMass Amherst, AUC)
Travel Writing (UMass Amherst)
International Journalism (UMass Amherst)
Newswriting and Reporting (UMass Amherst)
Voices for the Voiceless – Journalism Through Revolutions (UMass Amherst)
Social Justice Journalism – Mass Incarceration (UMass Amherst)
Online Journalism (AUC)
Introduction to Media Writing (Pace University)
Mass Media Writing (Pace University)

GRADUATE LEVEL COURSES TAUGHT:

Advanced Reporting and Writing (AUC)
Digital Journalism (AUC)

JAIL/PRISON JOURNALISM COURSES TAUGHT:

Media and Mass Incarceration (Penn State University)
INSIDE-OUT Reshaping Media Narratives of Incarceration (Centre County Correctional Facility in Conjunction with Penn State University)
Reported Essay Writing (PJP J-School)
Advanced Nonfiction Writing with Bill Keller (PJP J-School)
Intro to Media Writing (Hampshire County Jail)
Memoir/Personal Essay Writing (Hampshire County Jail, Centre County Correctional Facility)
Social Justice Journalism: Mass Incarceration (Hampshire County Jail in Conjunction with UMass-Amherst)

SERVICE:

College Service

UMass Amherst Faculty Advisor, Rebirth Project, Summer 2018-Spring 2019
UMass Amherst Instructor, Summer Journalism Institute for underserved high school students, Summer, 2018
UMass Amherst International Coordinator for Journalism Department, Fall 2013-Spring 2018
UMass Amherst Broadcast faculty search committee member, Spring-Fall 2013
UMass Amherst Coordinator for JRN 300, Newswriting and Reporting Course, Fall 2015-Spring 2018
Co-wrote UMass Amherst journalism department safety protocols for students, Fall 2015

Co-founder/Advisor of UMass Amherst Journalism Education & Diversity Initiative (JEDI), Spring 2015-Fall 2018
Served as member of the Penn State Bellisario College of Communications Advancing Equity, Inclusion and Diversity task force, Spring 2020
Served as member of Penn State Bellisario College of Communications Curriculum Committee, Fall 2022-Present
Served as member of Bellisario College of Communication Promotion Committee, Fall 2024-Present

University Service

Academic Fellows Program steering committee member, Spring 2018
Israel/Palestine Studies faculty search committee member, Fall 2017-Spring 2018
Volunteer professor for incarcerated students at Hampshire County Prison, Summer 2014 – Summer 2019
Faculty Advisor, Penn State Pakistan Student Association Fall 2022-Present

Field Service

Peer reviewer for paper submissions to AEJMC 2014 Annual Conference, Spring 2014
Research Liaison, Middle East & North Africa for the International Communication Division on executive board of AEJMC, Fall 2015-Fall 2018
Mentor and Advisor for the Coalition for Women in Journalism
Commission on Status for Women Liaison for the International Communication Division of AEJMC, Summer 2017- Spring 2019
Associate Editor (Americas) for the Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Culture, January 2020-May 2022
Advisory Board Member, Penn State Restorative Justice Initiative, Spring 2020-Present
Board Member, Pennsylvania Institutional Law Project, Summer 2024-Present
Member of Antiracist Development Institute Transformative Justice Pod, Fall 2024-Present
Board Member, Switchboard Magazine, January 2025-Present
Peer Reviewer, Journalism & Mass Communication Quarter, February 2025

JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE:

Prison Journalism Project, State College, PA

Co-Founder & Chief Education Officer, September 2019-Present

- Manage and facilitate PJP Learning curriculum and courses with incarcerated students nationally
- Represent PJP at national conferences and speaking engagements
- Work on development and funding strategies, growing PJP from all-volunteer organization to a 501(c)(3) with an annual budget of \$1.7 million
- Conceptualize and implement creative vision for editorial and academic projects
- Managed creation of website, featuring writings of incarcerated men and women
- Oversee strategy and content of award-winning teaching newspaper PJP Inside
- Co-wrote first-ever prison journalism textbook for incarcerated students

ALB The Brief, Dubai, UAE

Middle East Regional Editor, January 2012-December 2012

- Launched new legal magazine for the Middle East and North Africa, published by Thomson Reuters
- Named acting regional editor for sister publications Asian Legal Business (ALB) North Asia and ALB China while managing the Middle East publication
- Responsible for managing all print and online editorial operations for the three magazines
- Wrote features and analyses on the business of law in the Middle East as well as profiles of major legal players in the Gulf market
- Broke news on first insolvency proceedings filed by the Dubai government related entity Drydocks in Dubai's Special Tribunal; news was flashed on Reuters and widely picked up by global newspapers
- Regularly collaborated with Reuters newswire on features and breaking news stories
- Managed a team of two full-time reporters in Hong Kong and China as well as freelancers based in Asia and the Middle East

Thomson Reuters, Dubai, UAE

Islamic Finance Correspondent, February 2010-December 2011

- Covered regional trends, Islamic bond issuances, products, regulation and legal issues related to the Islamic finance industry for the Gulf Cooperation Council and North Africa
- Contributed Islamic finance columns for Reuters news wire and the International Herald Tribune, Middle East edition
- Provided daily on-air audio regional market outlook for Trading Middle East web broadcast
- Edited daily newsletter, *The Day Ahead*, for subscribers of Reuters social media/communities platform Trading Middle East
- Helped coordinate online Q&A chats and facilitated interactive community dialogue on Trading Middle East
- Broke news on the percentage terms offered to repay bank lenders in the Dubai World restructuring plan, Nakheel's plans for an Islamic bond, Dubai Group's missed loan payments and covered all major Dubai World meetings leading up to approval of the plan
- Broke news on details of \$3.6 billion restructuring plan for Kuwait's Investment Dar
- Reported, wrote and produced multimedia package on women in Islamic finance, featuring articles on female Islamic investment firms, halal cosmetics and female Islamic scholars in Malaysia for Reuters and IHT
- Covered Dubai Fashion Week for IHT article on the rise of Islamic fashion
- Responsible for coordinating Islamic finance coverage with bureaus across the globe,
- Islamic finance coverage resulted in Reuters win as Most Outstanding Islamic Newswire at the 8th Kuala Lumpur Islamic Finance Forum 2011

- Conducted on-air interviews with executives from major financial institutions for Reuters Insider Television

CNNMoney.com, New York, N.Y.

Staff Reporter, July 2005-July 2007

- As lead reporter covering the Enron trial, helped CNN's online and broadcast arm score major wins over the competition in reporting the verdict and provided ongoing breaking news reports and analyses of the historic case
- Featured as on-air Enron expert for CNN's breaking news reports and *The Nancy Grace Show*
- Broke news of Enron founder Ken Lay's death
- Wrote series of features and analyses of legal issues, including in-depth coverage of U.S. Supreme Court cases
- Broke news on proposed policy changes in insurance industry after Hurricane Katrina and workers compensation for victims of the Sago Mine accident
- Researched and published features and breaking news articles on banking and insurance industries
- Published personal finance features on divorce planning, maternity issues, online banking and navigating the housing market

Dow Jones Newswires, Jersey City, N.J.

Banking and Insurance Reporter, January 2004-July 2005

- Featured as a daily on-air correspondent for CNBC Asia, reporting on international stock action
- Published articles on costs of insuring Iraq contractors, rising risk of insuring Olympics, the impact of Hurricane Charley on the insurance industry, the impact of rising rates on credit card holders and the increasing profit potential for banks involved in the auto leasing business in the Wall Street Journal
- Wrote series of articles on the bid-rigging scandal in the insurance industry and broke news on Marsh & McLennan's loss of employees and clients in the wake of industry investigation
- Wrote series of articles following consolidation trend in banking industry
- Wrote analyses on corporate earnings and trends in banking and insurance sectors
- Insurance and banking articles have been featured in newspapers across the country, including the Miami Herald, the Philadelphia Inquirer, Seattle Times, New York Sun and Newsday

Dow Jones Newswires, Jersey City, N.J.

Stock Market Reporter, June 2000-April 2002

- Daily on-air correspondent for CNBC Asia, reporting on international stock action
- Wrote Abreast of the Market, Small-Stock Focus columns in Wall Street Journal
- Reported on daily stock market activity and wrote analytical articles and outlooks on market behavior

- Wrote Technically Speaking column for the newswire, analyzing market technicals
- Wrote features on accounting scandals, foreign exchange, stock repurchases, corporate profiles

Dow Jones Newswires, Jersey City, N.J.

Reporting Assistant, June 2000-April 2002

- Published daily market commentaries in Wall Street Journal, Asian Wall Street Journal
- Recipient of Dow Jones ACE Award for reporting and writing the daily ADR commentary
- Researched, wrote and published daily market commentaries, small-cap stock commentary
- Researched, wrote and published “hot stock” stories of most active listed companies

FREELANCE EXPERIENCE:

SUSI State Department Exchange Program, Amherst/NYC/Charlottesville/D.C

Academic Co-Director, June 2019-Present

- Coordinate and facilitate academic curriculum, guest speakers and travel study focused on honing leadership skills and providing service opportunities for cohort of 25 Pakistani exchange students
- Represent U.S. State Department and served as guest speaker for Pakistan program in Islamabad

Betterment, Amherst, Massachusetts

Editorial Consultant, July 2016-July 2017

- Provided research, copywriting and editorial services for financial services/asset management articles and blogs

Encore Media, Amherst, Massachusetts

Contributing Writer, July 2013-July 2014

- Research, interview and write 1,200-word profiles on successful senior citizens that have transitioned to an encore career aimed at promoting and advocating for social issues and humanitarian causes.

Egyptian Radio and Television, Cairo, Egypt

Media Trainer/Consultant, January 2010

- Conducted three-week intensive media training workshop for junior and senior reporters and producers for two Egyptian television networks and two new media outlets
- Workshops covered basics in good journalism and reporting, ethics, multimedia journalism, essentials of photography and video journalism as well as computer-assisted reporting

- Provided head of state-owned Egyptian Television with analysis of sessions with recommendations to improve efficiency of newsroom operations

Dow Jones Private Equity Analyst, Cairo, Egypt

Middle East Correspondent, January 2008 – September 2009

- Covered trends in the private equity market in the Middle East, including Islamic finance

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

The Coalition for Women in Journalism

Society of Professional Journalists

AEJMC

South Asian Journalists Association

National Association of Black Journalists

Institute for Nonprofit News

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Fluent in spoken Urdu and Hindi

LITERARY AGENT:

Represented by Jessica Papin

Dystel, Goderich & Bourret

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