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Education

University of California-Berkeley Master of Journalism

- Graduated: May 12, 2012

University of Wisconsin-Madison

B.A. Political Science, International Studies; Southeast Asian Studies

- Graduated: August 27, 2006

Selected Work Experience

Freelance journalist (Fall 2006 - present)

- Shooting and producing video stories on political, environmental and security issues for PBS NewsHour, TIME, Al Jazeera, VICE, and the GlobalPost.com.

RYSE Youth Center (May 2013 - present)

- Leading the video production program for underserved youth in Richmond, California.

Santoki Productions/NBC NEWS (Summer 2012 - Summer 2013)

- Camera, producer, and editor for MSNBC's top-rated show: Sex Slaves in America.

Richmond Confidential (Fall 2011 - Spring 2012)

- Assistant Editor for the news site RichmondConfidential.org, covering crime and politics in Richmond, California.

The Associated Press (Summer 2011)

- Reporting internship covering crime and politics for the Associated Press Television Network.

Lumpinee Police Station (2009)

- Interpreter for Thai police in Bangkok, Thailand.

Language Competence

Thai: Advanced—5 years of university level courses

French: Proficient—spoken since early childhood

Indonesian: Beginner—2 semesters of university level study

Khmer: Basic—1 accelerated university level course

Burmese: Basic—1 semester of university level study

Fellowships and Awards

Overseas Press Club Foundation Scholarship (February 2011)

- Scholarship provided to aspiring foreign correspondents to help finance a reporting project in Thailand.

US-Japan Postgraduate Journalism Fellowship (November 2010)

- Two-week trip to Japan for prospective foreign correspondents sponsored by Emerson College and the Japan Foundation.

Usha Mahajani Memorial Prize (July 2010)

- Awarded the most outstanding graduate student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (June 2010 - July 2010)

- Indonesian language study at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute (SEASSI) sponsored by the US Department of Education.

Blakemore Language Fellowship (July 2008 - July 2009)

- One year grant to study advanced Thai language in Bangkok, Thailand sponsored by the Blakemore Foundation.

Center for Khmer Studies Fellowship (Summer 2005)

- Research on landmines and language instruction in Siem Reap, Cambodia sponsored by the Center for Khmer Studies and the Henry Luce Foundation.

References

Grace Kahng (Executive Producer: Santoki Productions)

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