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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles › Sept. 2019 - June 2023

Bachelor of Arts in Design Media Arts (DMA); GPA: 3.99

Relevant coursework: Photography and Ecology, Media Ethics, Media Histories, Network Media

SKILLS

- Adobe: Photoshop, Bridge, Lightroom, Premiere Pro, InDesign, After Effects
- Photo Mechanic • Cinema 4D • Audacity • Processing • Runway • P5.js • HTML & CSS

EXHIBITION & AWARD

2022 California College Media Association Award, 1st Place in Best Photo Illustration

2021 International Photography Award, Honorable Mention in the categories of Book (Documentary), Editorial / Press (Sports), and Event (Social Cause)

2021 DMA Undergraduate Exhibition, Scholarship Awardee

EXPERIENCE

The Daily Bruin

Staff Photographer › Oct. 2019 - Present

- Pitch and curate 20+ in-depth standalone and collaborative photo essays.
- Report 10+ protesting events, 30+ Pac-12 games, and NCAA Championships of 3 sports.
- Document and caption a variety of news stories weekly and wire photographs and videos in short turnaround time for breaking coverage.
- Edit images and photo illustrations to enhance the visual appeal of media productions.

UCLA Athletics Compliance-Recruiting

Graphic Designer › Nov. 2021 - Present

- Design graphics to promote the spirit and performance of UCLA athletic teams.
- Create visually striking mailers to attract prospective recruits.
- Layout informative booklets to communicate the resources offered by UCLA Athletics.

UCLA Design Media Arts Print Lab

Student Staff › Oct. 2021 - Present

- Resolve technical issues of printers and computers to ensure smooth services.
- Guide the DMA community's use of printing and bookbinding facilities.

Searchlight Culture Lab

Commissioned Photojournalist › July 2020 - Nov. 2020

- Rebranded Changhua County's official magazine alongside an editorial team of 12.
- Captured, retouched, and organized 100+ photographs for 2 quarterly local magazines.
- Built an archive of images to represent the tales and beauty native to Changhua County.

Selected Project

Fishing for the Stories Left

Photojournalism Book Author › Apr. 2022 - June 2022

- Researched the history of Los Angeles Harbor throughout the 20th century.
- Take portraits of fishers and boat staff while collecting stories from them through interviews.
- Compiled own images and texts, then printed, bound, and self-published the book to present the once-thriving fishing community in its form today.