

# SAMYUDHA RAJESH

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## EDUCATION

**The George Washington University  
Elliott School of International Affairs**  
2020-2024

B.A International Affairs, Minor in  
Journalism and Mass Communications

## LANGUAGES

English	◆◆◆◆◆
Tamil	◆◆◆◆◆
Chinese	◆◆◆◆◆
French	◆◆◆◆◆

## OTHER EXPERIENCES

- Host of GW-TV Talk-Show Segment**
- Presented a policy memo on localization and Inclusion** in the aid sector at the Elliott School of International Affairs **Research Excellence forum**
- Interviewed **International Correspondant Reena Ninan**
- Attended **FP's #HerPower Summit** (Dec 2022) with Actress Connie Nielson, Congresswoman Dina Titus, Journalist Reena Ninan, and US Department of State Gina Abercombie.
- Volunteer at **READ BHUTAN**, taught english in Bhutan to children 6-12 years old. (2019)
- Member of IACE team** (Indian Americans caucus for equity) facilitated discussion series with professor Eva Boodman on the history of race relations in America.

## ABOUT

Samyudha Rajesh is Junior at the George Washington University pursuing a major in International Affairs and a minor in Journalism & Mass Communications. She was born in India but has lived in Thailand, China, Singapore, Switzerland, and the United States. She is passionate about the intersection of Foreign policy and affairs and the media. She is interested in human connection, our individual and collective stories, and how they can help us both make sense of the world and change it for the better. She is recognized by former employers and teammates as someone who is genuine, creative, and eager to learn.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Co-founder** Dec 2022-present

### CoorDONATE

- Co-founded a social-informational **app for NGOs** to communicate and collaborate with other NGOs/INGOs and with their local constituents and diaspora communities.
- Was invited by **President Bill Clinton and Secretary Hillary Clinton** to attend the Clinton Global Initiative University Caucus **CGIU 2023** in Nashville.
- Represented team at the **Draper Venture Competition** as Semi-finalists in April 2023.

### Interviewer & Social Media Strategist

#### The March on Washington Film Festival

Oct 2022- Oct 2022

- Took over **Twitter and Instagram** for the March For Washington Film Festival October 1st 2022
- Filmed and **Interviewed** judges, panelists, and artists who were featured in the festival to share their impact.

### Content Writer Intern

#### The Borgen Project

Aug 2022- Oct 2022

- Produced **9 Articles** for the **Borgen Magazine** and blog.
- Lobbied Congress, met with with **Abigail Spanberger and Lindsey Graham's** team to advocate for increasing the U.S's international affairs budget in 2022 by 15%.
- Fundraised **\$450** dollars for the Borgen Project's initiative.

### Podcast Host

#### Touchpoints

May 2022- present2

- Hosts weekly podcast
- interviewing a diverse plethora of gusts including refugees, life coaches, app developers
- Delivers solo episodes with political and philosophical commentary, **connecting global affairs to our daily lives.**

### Legal Trainee

#### Syngenta Group - Switzerland Basel

June 2021-Aug 2021

- Created **learning pathways** on Data Analytics the importance of mental health in the workplace for Syngenta's Global Legal Community.
- Supported the global roll out of the **"Wellbeing For All"** campaign and the launch of a personalized wellbeing app in partnership with **Optum.**
- Collaborated with **regional leaders** from China, Singapore, and Europe to adapt and implement a variation of the wellbeing app in all Syngenta legal offices across the globe.

### Unilever Singapore

#### Event Management Intern

June 2019-July 2019

- Shadowed teammates in Marketing and Human Resources.
- Developed a **Unilever re-branding campaign** by interviewing and collecting data. proposed new ideas to the marketing team.