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- EDUCATION**
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology** Cambridge, MA
M.S. in Science Writing Sept. 2017
- Northwestern University** Evanston, IL
B.A. in Anthropology, Geography June 2004
- School for International Training** Cochabamba, Bolivia
Study abroad program: Culture and Development Spring 2003
- BOOKS**
- Author, *National Parks of Costa Rica* (Cornell University Press, 2015)
- Editor, *The Birds of Costa Rica: A Field Guide, 2nd ed.* (Cornell University Press, 2014)
Birds of Botswana (Princeton University Press, 2015)
Peterson Field Guide to Birds of Northern Central America (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2016)
- EXPERIENCE**
- Freelance** Cambridge, MA
Science Reporter Aug. 2017 – Present
- Report health, science, and environment stories, with a partial focus on stories from Latin America. Clients include MIT Technology Review, MIT Spectrum, and Yale Climate Connections.
- NOVA Next** Boston, MA
Digital Editorial Intern May – Sept. 2017
- Pitched and wrote science news stories ranging from brief summaries to reported features for NOVA's digital news platform. Reported on new research and emerging technologies, covering political, economic, and public health angles.
- MIT Graduate Program in Science Writing** Cambridge, MA
Video Production Assistant Feb. – May 2017
- Assisted in filming and editing a series of videos commissioned by the Science Philanthropy Alliance on the importance of curiosity-driven research. Completed first-round edits of interview footage and acquired archival material.
- MIT Sloan Sustainability Initiative** Cambridge, MA
Writer & Research Assistant Sept. – Dec. 2016
- Wrote copy for website and newsletters, including profiles, internship round-ups and event summaries. Developed style guidelines for website copy, edited promotional documents and assisted with social media as needed.
- The Tico Times** San José, Costa Rica
Interim General Manager May – Aug. 2016
- Oversaw daily operations of editorial, sales and administrative departments during a time of major transition; took steps to improve communication between departments and streamline operations. Developed a reengineering plan for the newspaper that meant rethinking revenue streams and overhead costs as well as the paper's editorial

mission as a digital-only publication. Defined the (new) position's role and initiated the search for a permanent general manager.

The Tico Times

Publications Manager

San José, Costa Rica

June 2015 – Aug. 2016

Launched and led the Times' publishing division. Drew on the paper's network of writers and 60 years of reporting to develop book projects related to Costa Rican culture. Managed all phases of publishing, including project development, editing, design, printing, marketing, sales and distribution within Costa Rica and abroad.

Zona Tropical Press

Editor & Project Manager

San José, Costa Rica

Oct. 2012 – June 2015

Edited and managed production of English-language and bilingual natural history books, including field guides, photography books and children's books. Led project development for various titles in collaboration with co-publishers Princeton University Press and Cornell University Press. Managed international teams of authors, illustrators, photographers, science editors, translators, cartographers and designers to bring book projects to completion on time and within budget. Developed editing standards for each project; wrote front and back matter as needed. Was both author and project manager of *National Parks of Costa Rica*, the company's most ambitious nature photography book.

Common Ground International

Immersion Program Coordinator & Leader

Heredia, Costa Rica

Jan. 2010 – Sept. 2012

Coordinated and led Spanish immersion programs for health care students and professionals from the United States. Programs included 4- to 6-week international rotations for pharmacy, physician assistant and osteopathy students from various universities. Coordination included planning and facilitating orientations, rotation placements, volunteer work, Spanish coursework and family home stays. Spearheaded evaluation of ethics in medical outreach activities, which led to the overhaul of the company's approach to community work, in collaboration with university partners.

Common Ground International

Medical Spanish Instructor

Erie, CO

Nov. 2008 – Dec. 2009

Taught medical Spanish to health care professionals in Denver-area hospitals. Courses focused on medical vocabulary, basic patient-provider conversation and cultural awareness in communication with Spanish-speaking patients.

Northwestern University Study Abroad Office

Study Abroad Adviser

Program Coordinator

Evanston, IL

Aug. 2005 – Sept. 2006

June 2004 – July 2005

Served as primary adviser for 600+ students before, during and after their study abroad experiences. Taught a non-credit course on conducting research abroad for outbound study abroad students. Served as a liaison between university departments and study abroad program providers; represented the university at national conferences and site visits abroad.

SKILLS

Spanish (fluent), research, communication, collaboration, project management, editing. Software: Hindenburg, Adobe Premiere Pro, Adobe Lightroom, Microsoft Office Suite.