

SONIA AZAD

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SUMMARY

Resourceful reporter and versatile anchor with 20 years of experience in journalism, currently working to promote healthy living by educating and empowering audiences.

SKILLS

- Social Media (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook)
- Online Tools (Zoom, YouTube)
- Languages (Farsi, French)

EXPERIENCE

Health & Wellness Reporter, WFAA, October 2015-December 2022

Dallas, TX

- Create content on TV and online for Tegna's medical franchise for use by stations across the country.
- Fill-In Anchor.

General Assignment Reporter, KTRK, June 2009-March 2015

Houston, TX

- Covered breaking news, enterprise stories and long-format projects in Houston and surrounding area.
- Fill-In Anchor.

General Assignment Reporter, KGTV, August 2008-May 2009

San Diego, CA

- Covered breaking news, developing stories, and enterprise stories live for evening newscasts.

Anchor/Producer, Medill News Service, July 2006-March 2008

Chicago, IL

- WYCC-TV: Produced TV news stories for weekly show.
- Filed stories & covered the legal & urban affairs beats for daily publication in the Daily Herald, the Daily Southtown, The Northwest Indiana Times, Chicago Defender and Chicago Journal.

Youth & Politics Reporter, WAMU-FM 88.5, January 2008-March 2008

Washington D.C.

- Gathered sound, edited and filed weekly radio stories.

International Justice Reporter, Institute for War & Peace Reporting, September 2007-December 2007

The Hague, Netherlands

- Covered trials at International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, International Criminal Court, published in the Kuwait Times, AllAfrica.com, Turkish Weekly & iwpr.net.
- Wrote features on conflicts in Uganda, Sudan, & Democratic Republic of Congo.

Anchor/News Reporter, KXXV/ KRHD-TV, May 2003-June 2006

Waco, TX

- Produced, Anchored 10 p.m. nightly newscast for KRHD-TV.
- Shot, Wrote, Edited stories daily as general assignments reporter.
- Filed enterprise health reports for KXXV.

Freelance Correspondent, Star Television, February 2003-February 2003

Houston/ New Delhi, India

- Covered Columbia Shuttle disaster as breaking news for Star TV in New Delhi (APTN affiliate).

Intern, Cox Broadcasting, August 2002-December 2002

Washington

- Assisted bureau reporters on Capitol Hill by collecting interviews, logging sound, writing scripts and communicating with affiliate stations.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Master of Science

Journalism, Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism, Evanston, IL 2008

Master of Science

Law, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL 2008

Bachelor of Journalism

Journalism, The University of Texas, Austin, TX 2003

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Nutrition Science Online Course- Stanford Center for Health Education (2022)
- Epidemiology 101 for Journalists Course- McGill University (2021)
- Texas Medical Association Anson Jones Award (2020)
- National Press Foundation fellowship- Heart Health (Miami 2020)
- Texas Medical Association Anson Jones Award (2017)
- Texas Associated Press Broadcasters Association, 2nd Place, Television Division 1, Reporter (2012)
- Lone Star Emmy, Community Affairs Program/ Special Series, "Passage to India" (2011)
- Journalist Law School graduate, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles (2011)
- Rotary International Group Study Exchange: India (2010)
- Newton Minow Journalism Award
- Texas Medical Association Anson Jones Award (2006)
- Washington Semester Program, American University (2002)