

Deanna Pistono

Multimedia Journalist and Communications Professional

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Professional Experience

Race & Health Equity Fellow - MinnPost (2024 - 2026)

- Reported on and produced audio and digital text content for MinnPost concerning issues of health equity
- Took photos to accompany written articles and audio pieces for publication online
- Lead and facilitated meetings for the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee

Secretary - Asian American Journalist's Association, Minnesota chapter (2025 - Present)

- Coordinated same-day response and organizational messaging for a press conference concerning the arrest of journalist Georgia Fort
- Managed, drafted and sent regular newsletter updates to chapter members

Health Audio/Digital Journalist - Cronkite News (2023)

- Produced audio and digital text content for Cronkite News related to health disparities and inequities within the Southwestern United States
- Promoted this content on social media channels (LinkedIn and Instagram)

Audio/Digital Journalist - News21 (2023)

- Produced news stories and audio pieces as part of the "America after Roe" project - winner of the 2024 Robert F. Kennedy Grand Prize
- Edited audio for journalistic consumption

Graduate Assistant - RWJF Southwest Health Reporting Initiative (2022 - 2023)

- Assisted in production and marketing for monthly 'Pathways to Health' newsletter focusing on health disparities in the Southwest
- Interviewed "Champions of Change" for inclusion in issues of 'Pathways to Health'

Communications and Program Coordinator - Health Security Partners (2020-2022)

- Supported the development and implementation of international, federally-funded projects related to biosecurity, biotech research of concern, and the status of biological/chemical weapon nonproliferation norms
- Provided project management insight and support to the creation and development of HSP's podcast, "Sense of Security"
- Maintained the social media presence (LinkedIn and Twitter) of the organization
- Updated WordPress-hosted site with content related to organizational projects

Government Relations Intern - National Organization for Women (2018)

- Summarized upcoming policy and legislation for board members
- Wrote articles to be published on the organization's website explaining contemporary policy issues
- Composed resolutions submitted to the board concerning mass shootings

Education

Master's in Mass Communication - Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, Arizona State University (2022 - 2023), Phoenix, Arizona

Bachelor of Arts, Government - Cornell University (2015 - 2019), Ithaca, New York

Expertise

AP style news writing

DSLR photography

Adobe Audition

iZotope RX 8

Audio/podcast production

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe Premiere

Other Skills

Conversational

Mandarin

Conversational

Spanish