

**TALIA AVAKIAN
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EXPERIENCE

Freelance Reporter

Los Angeles, CA: Aug. 2019-Present

TRAVEL + LEISURE — Digital News Reporter

New York, NY: Aug. 2016-Aug. 2019

- Reported digital and print stories on transportation, infrastructure, tourism, and technology
- Produced travel features with original photography and conducted on-air interviews

TIME — News Reporter

New York, NY: Nov. 2017-March 2018

- Wrote breaking news stories across publications including Time.com, Fortune, InStyle, Southern Living, Money, T+L, and People
- Produced print content surrounding travel for TIME Magazine
- Produced original features and expert advice regarding travel for TIME.com

BUSINESS INSIDER — Lifestyle Reporter

New York, NY: April 2015-Aug. 2016

- Wrote content on real estate, culture, travel, tech, and business developments
- Worked with data and graphics teams to produce exclusive lists and multimedia pieces
- Conducted reporting for video features and produced original photo and video stories

NBC I-TEAM — Freelance Reporter

New York, NY: Nov. 2014-Dec. 2014

- Broke story on HIV positive New Yorkers stopping medication to qualify for gov.-funded housing programs
- Conducted full reporting, interviewed sources for air, and wrote web copy

NBC UNIVERSAL, TODAY— Production Intern

New York, NY: Sep. 2014-Dec. 2014

- Pitched, shot content, created interview questions, and edited video
- Served as a primary source to assist with breaking news content due to quick turnaround

BBC AMERICA — Editorial Intern

New York, NY: Dec. 2013-Sep. 2014

- Created photo features, wrote daily content, and managed social media
- Created first video series tied to digital

SKILLS

- Pitching, reporting, shooting, and editing for digital, print, and broadcast
- CMS, SEO, traffic optimization, social media strategy
- Adobe (Photoshop, In Design, Premiere, Pro Tools), Final Cut Pro, AVID, Microsoft

EDUCATION

- NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, M.A. Reporting the Nation In Multimedia Dec. 2014
- LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY, BA English and Journalism May 2013