

ERIN HASSANZADEH

Curious communicator | Culture-crosser | Community-connector

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EXPERIENCE

GLOBAL RELATIONS

- ❖ **U.S. Department of State, Fulbright Korea Grantee (July 2014-August 2016)**
Selected from 270 applicants to teach conversational English and American culture to 300 students at Youngil Elementary in Seoul, South Korea. Lived with host-family.
- ❖ **Empathy for a Better World Foundation, North Korean Defector Mentor (August 2014-August 2016)**

NEWS

- ❖ **KCCI, Reporter (October 2013-June 2014)**
Served as weekend and fill-in talent for Iowa's news ratings leader in Des Moines, IA. Reported live on tornado touch down, which contributed to KCCI's Emmy Award Winning "Best Newscast." Pitched, planned, and executed day-turn stories. Wrote and voiced news stories. Reported live at breaking news events.
- ❖ **KCCI, Newsroom Intern (August 2013-October 2013)**
Assisted execution of show scripts, fact checking, and pursuing story leads. Pitched story ideas and collaborated with reporters. Produced web content for KCCI.com.
- ❖ **CBS Radio News, Iowa Caucus Intern (January 2012)**
Connected CBS Radio news with political campaigns as news liaison. Executed interviews and story research.
- ❖ **ABC News, Presidential Debate Intern (December 2011)**
Advised producers and talent on live-shot logistics for their broadcast that attracted over 7.5 million viewers.

PRODUCTION/MANAGEMENT

- ❖ **Drake Relays Telecast, Executive Producer (February 2013-May 2013)**
Hired and led a team of 35 to produce ten hours of live television coverage of the 104th Drake Relays – a premier track and field event. Directed live coverage.
- ❖ **KDRA, Station Manager (September 2011-August 2013)**
Trained and managed over 40 student DJs for the Drake University radio station. Monitored station compliance.

FEATURE/LIFESTYLE

- ❖ **10 Magazine, Contributor (September 2015-Present)**
Execute and post monthly feature articles for the Seoul-based digital publication with 200,000 views per month.
- ❖ **The Daegu Compass, Assistant Editor (February 2015)**
Edited 176-page Korean city information guide for World Water Forum participants from 200 different countries.
- ❖ **KSTP, "Twin Cities Live" Intern (May 2012-August 2012)**
Pitched story ideas, booked guests, and managed studio audience for a live food, entertainment, and lifestyle show in Minneapolis, MN. Produced daily web segment.

EDUCATION

Drake University, Des Moines, IA

B.A., magna cum laude in Journalism and Mass Communication; Broadcast News (departmental honors)

B.A., magna cum laude in Sociology (departmental honors)

Graduation Date: May 2014 **GPA:** 3.82

Study abroad (January 2012-May 2012) Rome, Italy

Languages: Korean (Limited working proficiency)

AWARDS

- ❖ **Drake School of Journalism and Mass Communication *Rick Tapscott Reporting Award (2014)*** Recognizes one student whose journalism work reflects curiosity, accuracy, integrity, humanity, public accountability, and aggressive reporting.
Ted Sell Memorial Award (2013) Recognizes the most promising student pursuing a career in broadcasting.
- ❖ **Iowa Broadcast News Association *Best Newscast (2013)***
First Place Public Affairs Reporting (2013)
Eliot A. Keller Scholarship (2013) Recognizes outstanding promise in a student pursuing a career in radio journalism.
- ❖ **Drake Study of Culture and Society Department *Lewis J. McNurlen Scholarship (2013)*** Recognizes achievements of the top Drake sociology student.