# **FLORA CHARNER**

## Department of Communication & Journalism Texas A&M University fcharner@tamu.edu

Emmy-award winning journalist with 20 years of experience covering national and international news for broadcast, digital and print publications. Worked as a foreign correspondent, television producer and newsroom manager before transitioning to teaching full time.

EDUCATION COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM Master of Arts in Politics New York, NY	2013
<b>EMERSON COLLEGE</b> Bachelor of Science in Broadcast Journalism <i>Cum Laude</i> Boston, MA	2004

# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

## **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

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Professor of Practice Department of Communication and Journalism College Station, TX

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **CNN**

Director of Coverage, CNN International Newsgathering Atlanta, GA

Managed international news coverage and reporter teams around the globe, working with CNN's linear and digital platforms to ensure accuracy under tight deadlines. Coordinated with correspondents and producers during breaking news, including the coverage of the most recent Israel-Hamas war and Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

# Senior News Editor, Latin America Affairs

#### Atlanta, GA

Worked with newsgathering team on developing Latin America content for all CNN platforms. Liaised editorial and video with freelancers throughout the region and with CNN en Español.

# **Producer, International Desk**

# Atlanta, GA

Produced breaking news and features on CNN's International Desk. Worked with field teams around the world and with CNN programs to deliver content in a quick and efficient manner and wrote stories and analysis for CNN.com

# November 2015 – August 2024 October 2020 – August 2024

# July 2018 – October 2020

August 2017 – July 2018

August 2024 - Present

#### Field Producer/Multimedia Journalist

#### Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Produced reports and features for CNN International on Brazil and Latin America. Set up interviews, stories and live shots. Wrote reports for CNN.com. Major stories included Rio de Janeiro's preparations for 2016 Summer Olympics, the Zika outbreak and the impeachment process of President Dilma Rousseff.

# **AL JAZEERA ENGLISH**

#### **Freelance Producer/Writer**

## Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Proposed stories and coordinated production for international crews from Latin America and the U.S. traveling to Brazil. Major stories included Pope Francis 2013 visit to Rio and World Youth Day Conference and 2014 World Cup preparations and protests in Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo.

# **AMERICAS QUARTERLY**

# **Contributing Blogger/Multimedia Journalist**

# Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and New York, NY

Reported on news stories and features on the Brazilian Amazon, sustainability issues in some of the country's major cities and political challenges facing then President Dilma Rousseff. Authored a blog during the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Brazil, which explored the impact of the tournament on the South American country.

# THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# **Senior Producer**

#### Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Supervised television team in AP's Brazil bureau. Pitched stories to international editors and managed camera crews and freelancers. Covered breaking news, general news, entertainment, sports and feature stories in Brazil and Latin America as a producer and video journalist.

# Latin America Producer

Washington, DC

Wrote, edited and managed incoming content on the Latin America desk from field crews. Worked as field producer and video journalist in the region.

# AWARDS AND HONORS

2022-2023 Emmy Award Winner - Outstanding Live Breaking News Coverage/Russian Invasion of Ukraine 2019 Emmy Award Winner - Outstanding Breaking News Coverage/Turkey's Incursion into Syria 2019 Emmy Award Nominee – Outstanding Breaking News Coverage/Hurricane Dorian Hits the Bahamas 2015 Emerson College – Young Alumni Achievement Award

# **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

National Association of Hispanic Journalists (NAHJ) Was one of ten women selected to be part of the inaugural cohort of NAHJ's Adelante Academy Latina Leadership Program in 2024

# **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

National Association of Hispanic Journalists - Texas A&M Chapter - Advisor Texas A&M Department of Communication and Journalism Undergraduate Council – Committee Member

# November 2015 – August 2017

July 2013 – August 2015

February 2014 – November 2015

#### August 2004 – August 2007

#### August 2007 – June 2013

August 2004 – June 2013

2003 – Present