

KAJSA KEDEFORS

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EDUCATION

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Candidate for Bachelor of Arts in College of Arts and Sciences

– Expected graduation May 2024 –

- Major in philosophy and psychology
- Major in independent studies: social science and public policy
 - Coursework in phenomenology, social psychology, poverty, racism, gender issues, cross-cultural psychology, wealth
- Minor in journalism
 - Coursework in investigative reporting, data journalism, narrative radio, podcasting, journalism research, reporting in depth, newswriting

College of General Studies class of 2021

- Two-year liberal arts education in rhetoric, art history, sociology, anthropology, biology and ancient and modern history

UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE MADRID — took leave of absence from BU and independently arranged enrollment to UAM's DiLe Program for Fall 2021 semester, with all courses in Spanish

LANGUAGES

- English
- Swedish
- Spanish (conversational)

AWARDS AND PROFICIENCIES

- 2020-present National Society of Collegiate Scholars member (nominated by Professor Matthew Parfitt)
- 2020-2021 Rho Excellence in Academics Award
- 2018 Jefferson Award for community service work
- **Journalism conferences attended:**
 - Power of Narrative, Boston—2022, 2023
 - Christopher J. Georges Conference on College Journalism at Harvard University, Boston—2023
 - MediaFest SPJ, D.C.—2022 (applied for BU Student Academic Enhancement Fund, arranged trip)
- **Skills:** Arc, Adobe Audition, Descript, Adobe Premiere Pro, LexisNexis, Tableau, Tabula, R coding, Datawrapper, Flourish, Open Refine, Timeline JS, Pinpoint, data scraping, MS Office suite (Excel, Word, Powerpoint, Teams), Canva, Wix, Slack, Asana, social media management (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook)

CONTACT



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WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2023 - present

BOSTON GLOBE LIVING/ARTS CO-OP

- Pitched and wrote feature stories about musicians, podcasters, celebrities, trends, food, events, nightlife, books, festivals, awards, culture and perspective. Manage @globelife Instagram account

May 2023 - present

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM (UROP) SCHOLARSHIP GRANTEE FOR JOURNALISM

- Independently crafted a pitch, treatment, slide deck, trailer, and pilot episode of a podcast about forensic science
- Researched and interviewed forensic experts, authors, lawyers and the former president of the ABFO

January 2023 - June 2023

GBH NEWS STUDENT INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER

- Investigated Freedom Trail sites' ties to slavery. Solo-reported on the Boston Common and published "[Black people were once banned from the Boston Common](#)" in GBH News
- Interviewed city officials and academics. Consulted archivists

May 2021 - August 2021

PODCAST INTERN AT E2AC

- Storyboarded, edited, and produced "Minneapolis Burning," a podcast about Minneapolis Black Civil Rights Leader Spike Moss with a small team
- Independently scripted and edited the show's trailer

July 2022 - January 2023

RESEARCH INTERN AT NEXT ED RESEARCH

- Collaborated with founder Becky LeBret to redesign nonprofit Next Ed Research aiming to advance and teach methods in education

March 2022 - December 2022

REPORTER AT THE DAILY FREE PRESS

- Reported and wrote features and news stories for the independent, student-run newspaper at Boston University
- Wrote for news podcast "East to West"

September 2022 - March 2023

WTBU RADIO ARTS AND CULTURE REPORTER

- Radio reporting community and holiday events, cultural activities, performances, local art fairs and exhibitions

September 2022 - January 2023

ARCHÉ PHILOSOPHY JOURNAL EDITOR

- Edited international student-led philosophy journal with 6.3% acceptance rate standard of a professional journal
- Collaborated to compose and vote on submissions for publication

June 2022 - September 2022

RACIAL EQUITY IN CORRECTIONS INITIATIVE (REICI) SURVEY REVIEWER AT PRISONERS' LEGAL SERVICES OF MASSACHUSETTS

- Analyzed inmates' 150-question surveys about how racism in Massachusetts prisons and jails affects their lives
- Read in detail about issues of racism in prison cultural programming, misidentification, medical care, disproportionate drug testing, overt racial slurs and excessive force