KAJSA KEDEFORS

EDUCATION

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

College of General Studies class of 2021

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

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

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

• Conferences attended:

- Power of Narrative, Boston—2022, 2023
- MediaFest SPJ, D.C.—2022 (through BU Student Academic Enhancement Fund)
- Skills: Arc, Adobe Audition, Descript, Adobe Premiere Pro, Canva, Wix, Tableau, Tabula, R, Datawrapper, Flourish, Open Refine, Timeline JS, Pinpoint, data scraping, MS Office suite (Excel, Word, Powerpoint, Teams), Slack, Asana, social media management (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook)

CONTACT



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WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2023 - present

BOSTON GLOBE LIVING/ARTS CO-OP

 Pitching and writing feature stories about musicians, trends, food, events, nightlife, books, festivals, culture and perspective. Manage @globelife Instagram account

May 2023 - present

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM (UROP) SCHOLARSHIP GRANTEE FOR JOURNALISM

- Independently created a pitch, treatment, slide deck, trailer, and pilot episode of a podcast about forensic science
- 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
- 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 team
- Independently scripted and edited the show's trailer

July 2022 - January 2023

RESEARCH INTERN AT NEXT ED RESEARCH

• Assisted founder Becky LeBret in redesign of nonprofit Next Ed

March 2022 - December 2022

REPORTER AT THE DAILY FREE PRESS

- Features and news writer for the independent, student-run newspaper at Boston University
- Writer for 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

- International student-led philosophy journal with 6.3% acceptance rate standard of a professional journal
- Collaborated to edit 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