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TELEVISION NEWS JOURNALIST

Melinda Davenport is an Anchor/Reporter based in the Greater Boston Area. She currently works for WMUR News 9 and obtained a Master's degree in Communication from **Northeastern University** in Boston, and a Bachelor's degree in Broadcast Journalism from the **University of Houston**.

ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE – Burlington, Vermont

Adjunct Professor Fall 2010

Introduction to Public Speaking

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF VERMONT – Winooski, Vermont

Adjunct Professor Fall 2010 – Present

Intercultural Communication, Small Group Communication, Intro to Mass Communication

WORK EXPERIENCE

WMUR-TV – Manchester, New Hampshire

Anchor/Reporter June 2011 – Present

Managed department of communication specialists; overseeing community, consumer and investor (donor) relations while providing on-air and in-person media interviews. Served as primary media contact directing all publicity, consumer awareness and image campaigns; drafted executive speeches, researched and developed materials to enhance public image and awareness.

WCAX-TV – Burlington, Vermont

News Reporter/Anchor Feb 2010 – May 2011

Weekday reporter for top-rated CBS news station. Responsible for enterprising hyper-local daily stories in addition to updating viewers through social media.

KELLOGG, BROWN & ROOT – Houston, Texas

Sr. Specialist, External Communications Feb 2009 – Feb 2010

Responsible for assisting in proactive strategic media relations plan throughout global organization, while implementing annual communications campaign. Assisting with crisis management action plan while driving competitive PR efforts to ensure that KBR becomes top of mind among key analysts and press. Manage company public relations archives and oversee execution of special events coverage.

THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY – Houston, Texas

Freelance Writer (2005 – 2008)

Produced original and well-written news articles published on the About.com, Houston Web site; Created educational, relevant, and stories of interest to Houstonians and others interested in learning about the city's politics, arts, recreation, entertainment, real estate and economy.

Member: - *International Association of Business Communicators (IABC)*
- *National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ)*

Languages: *Survival Cantonese; Fluency in Spanish*