

SAMIRA HUSSAIN

JOURNALIST

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SKILLS

Television, radio, online and social media

Adobe audition, Final Cut Pro, iNews, ENPS, Open Media

Avid baker, black belt in Taekwondo, undefeated amateur boxer

EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Journalism

University of Western Ontario

2003-2004

Winner of a prestigious scholarship offered to journalism students across Canada

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

McGill University

1997-2000

Awarded a competitive fellowship to live and work in refugee camps in Lebanon

LANGUAGES

English 

French 

Urdu 

PROFILE

I am an experienced, well rounded broadcaster with excellent writing skills under tight deadlines. I am able to file from the field for breaking news, experience with high risk and investigative journalism while capturing the human element in each story. I have a proven track record of cultivating contacts across several industries.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Correspondent

BBC News, New York 2026 - current

- Anchor a daily business program just as financial markets open for the day
- Covered the Ukraine conflict for several weeks from Kyiv

South Asia Correspondent

BBC News, New Delhi 2023 - 2025

- Delivered high impact journalism from the entire region of South Asia for TV, radio, online and social media
- Launched a special live program This Is India which showcases the best journalism from the region
- Drove the BBC's domestic and international coverage of the Indian elections

North America Business Correspondent

BBC News, New York 2013-2023

- Developed a reputation for delivering financial news with confidence and personality on all BBC platforms
- Highly capable of scripting a range of stories from the crisis at Boeing and its grounded planes to the shortage of Santa Clauses because of the Covid-19 Pandemic

Associate Producer

CBC News, Toronto and Washington DC 2006-2013

- Delivered the CBC's first ever interview with a sitting US President, Barack Obama
- Lead producer for major news events (Death of Osama Bin Laden, Republican and Democratic National Conventions, G20 Summits)
- Worked with senior correspondents to produce news and current affairs items for the flagship nightly news program, The National

Local News Reporter

CBC News, Toronto and Ottawa 2009-2011

- Quickly promoted to reporter in Canada's largest news market, after a short stint in Ottawa
- Praised by Executives for delivering well structured news pieces that capture the humanity in stories