



# Emiliano Rodríguez Mega

SCIENCE JOURNALIST

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I'm a trilingual reporter and producer covering science, health, environmental issues and more. I like to complicate people's ideas about Latin America. Passionate about audio storytelling, photojournalism, investigative reporting, and languages.

## EDUCATION

- 2017 **NEW YORK UNIVERSITY (NYU)**  
2018 **M.A. Science, Health & Environmental Reporting**
- 2009 **NATIONAL AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF MEXICO (UNAM)**  
2013 **Bachelor of Science | Biology**
- 2013 **UNAM - Institute of Ecology**  
2015 **Thesis Project**  
Researched the genetics and evolution of two Mexican plants from the Lacandon jungle in Chiapas.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2021 **NASW'S 2021 Science in Society Journalism Award**  
Finalist in the Science Reporting category.
- 2019 **Association of Health Care Journalists' contest**  
Won third place in the student category.
- 2017 **Earth Journalism Network Fellowship**  
Selected from more than 130 applicants to report at the 28th International Congress for Conservation Biology in Cartagena, Colombia.
- 2016 **Logan Science Journalism Fellow**  
Selected as one of 13 journalists to "step into the shoes of the scientists they cover" through immersion in hands-on research at the Marine Biological Laboratory, in WH, MA.
- 2015 **AAAS Student Travel Fellow**  
Went to San Jose, CA, to cover the AAAS meeting and receive mentorships from experienced journalists.

## SKILLS

- Video editing Adobe Premiere Pro CC
- Photo editing Adobe Bridge, Lightroom
- Audio editing Adobe Audition
- Data journalism Python, Microsoft Excel

## LANGUAGES

- Spanish Native speaker
- English Fully bilingual
- Portuguese Proficient

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2015 **SEVERAL PUBLICATIONS**  
Present **Freelance reporter**  
Mostly, but not exclusively, focused on covering Latin America. Interested in exploring the intersection between research and society, including misconduct, corruption and sexual harassment in science. My work has been published in Nature, Science, Scientific American, Science News, STAT News, The Verge, and elsewhere.
- 2021 **LAS RARAS PODCAST**  
2022 **Story coordinator**  
Joined Las Raras, a documentary and narrative Spanish-language podcast, to produce their sixth season. I found story ideas, reported on the field and reviewed transcriptions. I also edited, wrote and fact-checked scripts.
- 2020 **SEVERAL PODCASTS**  
Present **Audio producer, fact-checker & tape syncer**  
I have produced and fact-checked audio stories for Radio Ambulante and its weekly news podcast, El Hilo. I also collaborate with podcasts produced by Adonde Media. And I occasionally tape sync for podcasts such as Serial.
- 2019 **NATURE**  
**News intern**  
Covered breaking news for the front half of the magazine. I also wrote features, reported enterprise stories and covered the National Science Foundation. In less than six months, I expanded Nature's coverage of Latin America.
- 2018 **ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
**Science and health intern**  
Spent the summer working as the AP's first science and health intern at the New York headquarters. I wrote spot pieces, breaking news, and enterprise stories. I shot video and took stills for multimedia projects. My work was widely shared among news outlets across the nation.
- 2016 **TVUNAM**  
2017 **Reporter**  
Reported and wrote scripts for two different TV programs produced by UNAM.
- 2016 **RADIO AMBULANTE**  
2017 **Editorial intern**  
Fact-checked, produced and researched stories, transcribed interviews and edited scripts for Radio Ambulante, which uses long-form audio journalism to tell stories of Latin America.
- 2015 **WWF-US**  
**Correspondent**  
Joined a reporting trip to Belize to write stories about climate change for WWF's website and magazine, World Wildlife.