



BIOGRAPHY

MELISSA ADAN

Multiplatform Reporter, ABC News

Melissa Adan is a multiplatform reporter based in Los Angeles, reporting for “Good Morning America,” “World News Tonight” and ABC News Live.

Adan is an award-winning journalist who recently won a regional Emmy® for her work in Vatican City to cover Pope Francis’ appointment of new cardinals. She has reported from Mexico on the immigration crisis at the border in Tijuana and Ciudad Juarez and the 2018 migrant caravan in Tijuana. Her reporting in Australia on climate change in the aftermath of destructive wildfires also won her a regional Emmy. In addition, she received the Al Neuharth Investigative Journalism Award from the National Association of Hispanic Journalists for her report on sex abuse and money mismanagement at migrant youth shelters in San Diego.

Prior to her role at ABC News, Adan worked at KNSD/KUAN and Telemundo 20 in San Diego as a general assignment news reporter and anchor since 2018.

Previously, Adan was a reporter/multimedia journalist at WTVJ in southern Florida. She covered many breaking news events, such as the mass shooting at the Fort Lauderdale airport, Hurricane Irma and the death of José Fernández, star pitcher for the Marlins.

Upon graduating college, she moved to Texas, where she was a weekend evening news anchor and general assignment reporter at the CBS affiliate KLBK in Lubbock. While in Texas, she traveled to El Paso and Ciudad Juarez in Mexico to cover Pope Francis’ visit to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Adan is a Miami native and a first-generation Cuban American. She is bilingual in English and Spanish, and her reporting has taken her around the world. She has a master’s in criminal justice from Florida International University, a bachelor’s in communications from Boston University, and an associate’s degree from Miami Dade College, The Honors College.