# CHERLY ABOU CHABKE

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Syracuse University, New York (Deferred)

Master of Arts in Journalism and Communication (Accepted with Prestigious Scholarship, Deferred Pending Further Notice)

### Saint Joseph University of Beirut (USJ) - Excellence Scholarship

Beirut, LB

- Master's in Public Law

Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

2022-2023 2019-2022

- Citizenship Summer School: Analyzed global protests' success and wrote a winning article published in German and Lebanese newspapers. Participated in workshops on advocacy, communication and public policy.
- Model Youth Parliament: Awarded excellence in women's rights committee; drafted resolutions in Arabic.
- University Student Council: Member of the board and Treasurer.
- USJ Clubs: President of the faculty's Green's Club. Member of the Debate, Feminist, and Secular Club.

### Collège Des Saints-Cœurs Kfarhbab-Ghazir (SSCC) - "AEFE" scholarship for excellence

Beirut, LB

French Baccalaureate in Economic Sciences (SES): 17.80/20. 3rd of cohort out of 132 pupils.

2005-2019

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**L'Orient Le Jour** – Contributing Journalist

2020-2021

• Authored articles for the "Campus" French section, exploring themes in social, cultural, and youth-related spheres.

## The Phoenix Daily - Staff Writer

2020-2022

- Composed articles in both English and French, addressing humanitarian, social, cultural, and political matters.
- Collaborated with French Law students in the "TPD X European Law School Association, ELSA Lyon" partnership by co-writing legal articles.

**BERYTE - USJ's Law faculty newspaper -** Editor in Chief for French and English.

2020-2023

Journalist and Communications Manager proficient in article design, social media management, and podcast coordination.

#### Diplomacy, Leadership, and Public Speaking Instructor - SSCC Kfarhbab

2021 - 2023

- Coached 15–17-year-olds in refining their speech writing/ delivery, debating, negotiation and research skills in English, alongside developing their Power Skills (Critical Thinking, , Leadership, and Self-Confidence).
- Mentored and trained students for the National Model UN conference, resulting in consecutive 2nd best delegation awards.

# LEADERSHIP, RESEARCH, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

#### 18th ICC International Chamber of Commerce Mediation Competition (ICCMC)

**Paris, FR** 2023

- Selected with 2 other competitors as the official representatives of USJ at the Paris match.
- Engaged in resolving mock cases involving international business disputes under the ICC Mediation Rules, enhancing proficiency in negotiation and effective communication skills.

# Vis MOOT - Arbitration Competition

Beirut, LB 2022

- 29th Vis MOOT VIENNA 2021-2022
  - o Selected with 6 other competitors as the official representatives of USJ at the Vienna (virtual) competition.
  - o Evaluated and conducted extensive research on the applicable law to the contract, the validity of an arbitration agreement and the conclusion of contracts according to International Arbitration and Trade Law.
- 3rd ALEXANDRIA Vis PREMOOT

Alexandria, EG 2022

Rivaled 40 international Law schools in a competition hosted by Alexandria University and the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA), achieving a score of 90/100 as an individual pleader.

## **Model United Nations (MUN)**

• American University of Beirut / Beirut MUN

Beirut, LB 2023

- Chairwoman of the International Criminal Police Organization INTERPOL committee. Wrote a background guide on crime organizations in West Africa. Corrected papers and led the conference and debates.
- Harvard Model United Nations

Boston, MA 2019

- Winner of the "Diplomatic Commendation award": Studied and debated for 4 days penitentiary reforms and prisoners of war around the world in a committee of 200 international delegates.
- Global Classrooms International MUN

New York, NYC 2017

- Winner of the "Secretary General/ Best delegate Award", (1st place) for best research and best public speaking. Chosen among 3000 students in Lebanon with 5 other people to participate in the NYC conference.
- Conducted research about green economy and SDGs in a class of 150 international delegates.
- Lebanese American University MUN

**Beirut, LB** 2017-2018

Winner of the "Diplomacy / Outstanding delegate" Award (2nd place) for exemplary diplomatic and leadership
qualities: Negotiated the state of freedom of press, the rights of Indigenous People, and the Arab Springs.

# **LANGUAGES & INTERESTS**

Languages: Native in French, English, Arabic. Limited working proficiency in Portuguese.

Interests: Arts Journalism, Literature & Film, Entertainment Industry & Pop Culture, Classical Ballet, Modeling & Photography.