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## Marwa Eltagouri joins General Assignment News Desk

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### **Announcement from General Assignment Desk Editor Josh Freedom du Lac and Director of Audience Ryan Kellett:**

We are delighted to announce that Marwa Eltagouri is joining the General Assignment News desk, where she'll write enterprise and provide coverage of breaking news and other ongoing stories.

Marwa joins us from the Chicago Tribune, where she spent the last three years — most recently on the immigration and gentrification beat. In that role, she wrote about “Dreamers,” deportations and shifting demographics.

She joined the Tribune in 2014 as a summer intern and worked in a bureau before moving to the Metro G.A. desk to cover crime and breaking news in one of America's newsiest cities. She frequently wrote her way onto the front page, including [this spring story](#) on “compassion fatigue” in Chicago's trauma units amid the city's relentless gunfire.

A native New Yorker who grew up on an island near Niagara Falls, Marwa graduated from Syracuse University's S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications with a degree in magazine journalism — and a raft of honors, including the William Glavin Award for Excellence in Magazine Writing and a feature-writing award from the Society of Professional Journalists. She also majored in Middle Eastern politics and speaks fluent Arabic, along with some Spanish.

Marwa ([@marwaeltagouri](#)) is a painter and plays numerous instruments. She recently started woodworking, too, and plans to make a coffee table for her new apartment in Shaw.

Marwa will begin Monday and will play critical roles in the G.A. News team's evening expansion.