DAVID CULVER



David Culver is an award-winning international correspondent for CNN, based at the network's Beijing bureau. He is responsible for covering major news stories from China and the Asia-Pacific region.

In China, Culver has reported on the coronavirus and the unprecedented lockdown from the original epicenter of Wuhan. His reporting at the start of the outbreak and while in the midst of hotel quarantine led to Culver and his team being recognized with three of the most prestigious awards in journalism: the Walter Cronkite Award for Excellence in TV Journalism, the Overseas Press Club of America's David Kaplan award and the George Polk Award, marking the first time in the 73-year history of the Awards that the top honor for Foreign

Reporting went to a television report. Meanwhile, a <u>report</u> he filed at the outset of the pandemic is now the most viewed hard news video on Facebook, with more than 200 million views.

Culver has also reported on China's alleged human rights abuses and in 2021 he and his team traveled to Xinjiang to investigate the separation of children from their families. Culver's work in China also includes coverage of the U.S-China trade war, the NBA controversy, and the 70th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, chronicling the military and economic superpower's rapid rise.

Prior to joining CNN, Culver was an anchor and reporter for NBC Washington, covering crime, politics and education. He also reported on multiple national breaking news events, covering the Parkland Florida school shooting, the Pittsburgh synagogue shooting and various hurricanes that ravaged parts of the US.

Of Cuban American descent, Culver has travelled multiple times to Cuba, reporting on the reopening of the U.S. Embassy, Pope Francis' visit and the death of Fidel Castro. He also produced a 30-minute Emmy award winning documentary, "Rediscovering Cuba: A Journey Home", which chronicles his mother and grandmother's return to their native Cuba more than 50 years after they fled the island-nation. Before NBC Washington, Culver was an anchor and reporter for WAVY-TV in Hampton Roads, Virginia.

Culver graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Hispanic Studies from the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. He minored in Middle Eastern Studies and studied Arabic. He is fluent in Spanish.