Garrett Bergquist

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Professional Multimedia Journalist Experience

Government reporter, WISH-TV, Indianapolis, Ind., December 2021-present

- Lead all political and public policy reporting for flagship station of a statewide TV network.
- Producer and fill-in host for Sunday morning political talk show, All Indiana Politics.
 Duties include setting up, carrying out and editing one-on-one interviews with major Indiana political figures.
- Conscientious and resourceful self-starter responsible for pitching, reporting, filming, writing and editing stories and executing live shots.
- Research, analyze, present and explain information from public documents relevant to reports. This enables viewers to understand the motivations behind the actions of their elected officials and the impact of their decisions.
- Continuously develop strong rapport and generate trust with news sources ranging from stakeholders and decision makers to officials in government, law enforcement and academia.

Political reporter/Multimedia Journalist, Spectrum News 1, Raleigh, N.C., May 2019-November 2021

- Served on a statewide political reporting team dedicated to finding the people most impacted by policy decisions.
- Created character-driven policy impact stories for statewide local 24-hour cable news network, covering a mix of city, county, state and federal issues.
- Regularly contributed stories to evening newscasts as well as Capital Tonight, a statewide weeknight political news show.

Multimedia Journalist, KRCG 13, CBS Affiliate, Jefferson City, Mo., July 2013–April 2019

- Created substantive on-air and online live reports, packages and on-set presentations from throughout mid-Missouri for television news broadcasts.
- Served as a fill-in anchor as needed.
- Frequently reported on all branches of Missouri government, from city councils to state legislature and courts and federal actions.
- Assisted in launching station's drone journalism program.
- Coordinated election night coverage for the station in addition to election night reporting duties. Compiled lists of all contested elections and assigned reporters to key races. This ensured optimal use of station resources during periods of heavy viewership.

Certifications and Technical Expertise

- FAA-certified commercial drone operator. Operate DJI Inspire 2 unmanned aircraft to gather aerial video as part of an innovative news gathering process.
- Extensive video editing experience using Avid Media Composer and Final Cut Pro X.
- Proficient in videography using Sony XDCAM, iPhone and Panasonic P2 cameras.
- Scripting experience using Avid iNEWS and Dalet Enterprise systems.
- Analyze and compile data using Microsoft Excel.

Awards and Recognition

WISH-TV Employee of the Month, February 2022

Kansas City Press Club Heart of America Awards, First Place, Beat Reporting, June 2016

Edward R. Murrow Regional Award for Overall Excellence, July 2016

Walter Williams Scholar, University of Missouri School of Journalism, August 2008–December 2011

Education

Missouri School of Journalism, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri

Master of Arts in Journalism, Public Affairs Reporting, May 2013

Bachelor of Journalism, Convergence Journalism with a concentration in Radio-Television Journalism; Political Science minor, December 2011

Graduated Cum Laude with Honors College General Honors Certificate