

# Samuel Mattison

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## EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Science in Multimedia Journalism with a minor in Political Science**, Expected Graduation date: December 2018

Troy University, Troy, AL

- GPA: 3.3

Relevant Courses:

- Advanced Reporting
- Advanced Editing
- Digital News Photography

## JOB RELATED EXPERIENCE

**Reporter: March 2017-June 2018**

*Alabama Political Reporter*, Montgomery, AL

- Responsible for writing stories focuses on state political issues.
- Act as an independent reporter covering various aspects of state government.
- Responsible for taking photos of events with a focus in news photography.
- Use social media to promote stories and microblog about events.
- Covering various events including Legislative meetings, State School Board of Education meetings, elections, political rallies and protests, and Committee meetings in the Alabama Legislature.

## Notable events covered

- Two Legislative Sessions (2017 and 2018) in the Alabama Legislature.
- The 2017 U.S. Senate Special Election in Alabama.
- Various Education topics
- The 2018 Party Primaries in Alabama

## SKILLS

- Interviewing and newsgathering
- News writing training
- Knowledge of AP Style
- Working with editors for story approval
- Taking news photos
- Writing on a daily deadline for publication

- Ability to think on feet and act independently without supervision
- Live reporting events with a specific concentration in election results

## **REFERENCES**

Dr. Richard Ledet, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Troy University (334) 808-6608

Susan Britt, Associate Editor-in-Chief of the Alabama Political Reporter (205) 405-8561

Steve Stewart, Assistant Professor of Journalism at Troy University (334) 672-3192