

Ashkan Motamedi

Journalist

202-480-4971

Ashkan322@gmail.com

Blog: <http://ashkan-motamedi.com/>

Portfolio: <https://ashkanmotamedi.journoportfolio.com/>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/ashkan-motamedi-780934162/>

Work Experience

The Diamondback

January 2021-October 2022

Wrestling Beat Writer/Baseball contributor

- Covered games/meets, including the 2022 NCAA D1 Wrestling Championships and 2022 NCAA D1 Baseball Tournament
- Wrote 2-4 stories every week in-season, previews, game stories, second days and features
- Interviewed players and coaches during media availability
- Tweeted out news and live game/meet updates

Capital News Service

August 2021-April 2022

Investigative reporter

- Investigated a Title IX case on Vista Unified School District as a part of a national reporting package
- Winner of the Student Journalism Prize for Investigative Reporting on Intercollegiate Athletics
- Bylines across national news publications and outlets
- Title IX story tweeted out by women's sports icon Billie Jean King to her 546K followers

Capital News Service

January 2022-May 2022

Washington Bureau Reporter

- Covered the Washington D.C. area and the war in Ukraine in Washington politics
- Worked in a newsroom environment and collaborated with colleagues on stories and ideas
- Interviewed members of Congress, live-tweeted press conferences, and emailed press secretaries and organizations for comments on stories

MD Baseball Network

March 2021-March 2022

Baseball Writer (unpaid work experience)

- Wrote previews and game stories, including covering the 2021 NCAA D1 Baseball Tournament
- Interviewed players and coaches during media availability and also tweeted out live game updates

NBC Universal Media LLC /NBC Washington

August 2019-May 2020

Sports Internship

- Logged/clipped game highlights and opening establishments of different sports on Dalet Galaxy
- Assisted producers and anchors with games clips for the 6:00 PM and 11:00 PM shows
- Wrote teases that aired on the 6:00 PM and 11:00 PM shows
- Fed stats, breaking news, fun facts and pronunciations of names to producers and anchors
- Shadowed producers in the control room, shadowed anchors in the studio and shadowed producers and anchors out in the field

Education

University of Maryland

2020-2022

Master's in Journalism, Multiplatform Journalism

George Mason University

2016-2020

Cum Laude Bachelor of Arts, Communication

Minor: Sports Management

Skills and Abilities

- Strong writing, organizational and public speaking skills
- Film preparations including editing, photography, equipment and sound set-up
- Highly skilled with various software for editing, coding (HTML and CSS) and filming, including Atom, Dalet Galaxy, Adobe Premiere Pro, Adobe Lightroom, Word Press, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and RStudio.