

BRITTANY BROWN

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SKILLS

- Adobe Premiere Pro, Audition + Suite
- WordPress, Bento, CMS-proficient
- Headline Writing, SEO skills
- Social Media Engagement
- Project Management
- DSLR and Cinema Cameras
- Video and Audio Production
- Multimedia Reporting
- Interdisciplinary Research
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Justice
- Community Engagement
- Oral History Interviews
- Documentary Filmmaking
- Multimedia Reporting
- AP Style, Various Writing Forms, Editing
- Spanish - limited working proficiency
- Graphic Design: Canva + Photoshop
- Adaptable, Collaborative, Creative

EDUCATION

M.A. IN SOUTHERN STUDIES

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI | 2019-PRESENT*
*COURSEWORK COMPLETED IN 2021, THESIS ONGOING

B.A. IN JOURNALISM

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI | 2015-2019
MAGNA CUM LAUDE | PHI KAPPA PHI | HONORS GRADUATE

RESEARCH

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF SOUTHERN CULTURE
"BLACK POWER AT OLE MISS," 2020

"BLACK FAMILIES OF YALOBUSHA COUNTY," 2019

SALLY MCDONNELL BARKSDALE HONORS COLLEGE
"THE LATINO SOUTH: RACE & RACIALIZATION," 2019

RONALD E. MCNAIR ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM
"THE LATINO SOUTH: MIGRATION, IDENTITY & FOODWAYS," 2017

HONORS

2019 ROBERT F. KENNEDY COLLEGE JOURNALISM
AWARD || 2019 NABJ SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE
AWARD || 2018 EPPY FOR BEST DOCUMENTARY
FEATURE || 2018 RTDNF ED BRADLEY FELLOWSHIP

EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE CONTENT CREATOR AND COPYWRITER

BLACK GIRL WELLNESS | JAN. 2022 - PRESENT | REMOTE

- Work remotely with small team to strategize + create wellness-related content for the brand's website + social media, centering health needs of Black women
- Lead, develop branding strategy + digital campaigns to grow online engagement
- Plan + create online events to increase engagement and serve as point-of-contact for Black Girl Wellness' audience

CRIMINAL JUSTICE REPORTER

NPR GULF STATES NEWSROOM | OCT. 2021 - PRESENT | JACKSON, MS

- Work collaboratively in [NPR's southern news hub](#), covering issues in Mississippi, Alabama + Louisiana in audio, digital, multimedia formats
- Produce [local, breaking news stories](#) and [regional feature stories](#) on [criminal legal system](#) and [regional history](#), culture for audio + digital mediums
- Cultivate trust with sources + community and tell news via community-centered lens
- [Correspond from Mississippi State Capitol](#) to report on legislative session and how lawmakers' decisions impact their constituents

EMERGING REPORTERS FELLOW-JUSTICE REPORTER

MISSISSIPPI TODAY | OCT. 2020 - OCT. 2021 | OXFORD, MS

- [Developed reporting](#) on Mississippi's criminal legal system + [the state's Black culture and history](#) through the lenses of equity and justice
- Covered [state corrections system](#), [COVID-19's effect on prisons](#) and [immigrant detention centers](#), building trust with activists, lawyers, families, prisoners
- Completed full-time Southern Studies master's degree coursework while reporting as [inaugural fellow](#) before transitioning to full-time reporter

EMERGING NEWS REPORTER

THE BALTIMORE SUN | JUNE 2019 - JULY 2019 | BALTIMORE, MD

- Worked as emerging news reporter with small cohort of fellow interns + coached by news editors
- Published stories on the [failures of city's downtown infrastructure](#), [water affordability issues among city residents](#) and the [city's orchestra lockout](#)
- Maintained consistent online presence to monitor city events while developing breaking news into emerging, follow-up stories

MULTIMEDIA REPORTER

THE DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN | JAN. 2019 | SAN JUAN + LOÍZA, PUERTO RICO

- Traveled abroad to different municipalities in Puerto Rico to report on long-term effects of Hurricane Maria
- Conducted interviews in Spanish and translated interviews in the field for fellow reporters
- Produced digital story about [the island's Afro-Antillean culture, community and post-hurricane recovery](#)

ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

THE DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN | APR. 2018 - DEC. 2018 | OXFORD, MS

- Led 15-person staff of reporters with two fellow news editors to publish daily newspaper + online content for diverse university audience
- Covered campus news through multimedia and depth reporting
- Planned, executed and published [special issue about race on campus](#) + wrote about [the intersection of hair and identity among Black students](#)

DOCUMENTARY REPORTING FELLOW

CARNEGIE-KNIGHT NEWS21 FELLOWSHIP | JAN. 2018 - AUG. 2018 | PHOENIX, AZ

- Selected as University of Mississippi's inaugural fellow to report on hate in America in a national, collaborative newsroom while being trained on investigative and documentary journalism methods
- Helped produce award-winning, extensive digital project about [hate and intolerance](#) while leading reporting on [history of Black lynchings](#) in the U.S.
- Traveled across U.S. to report, produce [feature-length documentary](#) and national, [multimedia map](#) which tracks intolerance + division in America

DIGITAL CONTENT PRODUCER, ANCHOR, REPORTER

NEWSWATCH OLE MISS | JAN 2017 - MAY 2018 | OXFORD, MS

- Managed and created content for interactive website and social media while increasing digital engagement to ~6,700+ followers
- Assisted with all editing and production duties for Oxford's only nightly, live 30-minute newscast
- Reported on student-activist response to [confederate groups marching on university campus](#) in aftermath of student-athletes kneeling during national anthem