

BENJAMIN WESTIN

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MEDIA SKILLS

- Strong Photography and Videography Skills
- Fluent in Adobe After Effects
- Proficient in Adobe Lightroom Classic
- Experienced in Podcasting
- Fluent in Adobe Premier Pro
- Knowledgeable of Logic Pro
- Excellent Editing Skills
- Proficient in Photoshop
- Proficient in Pro Tools

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Strong Verbal Communication
- Adaptable Team Player
- Excellent Interpersonal Skills
- Creative Problem Solver
- Strong Work Ethic
- Punctual

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Blood Donor, Rock River Valley Blood Center, 2018 – Present
- Volunteer, Northern Illinois Food Bank, 2021

EDUCATION

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY - NORMAL, IL

Bachelor of Science

Creative Technology: Interdisciplinary Degree

Expected Graduation: December 2025

ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE - ROCKFORD, IL

Associate Of Arts - May 2020

Media Production Specialist Certificate - December 2022

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

Evolution Digital Marketing Agency - Rockford, IL

Freelance Videographer

June 2022 – May 2024

- Work with small businesses, non-profits, and political entities to fulfill marketing needs through the creation of videos.
- Meet customer specifications and create content in the marketing campaign vision.
- Collaborate on local and statewide projects to ensure high quality content and videos.

WISCANSIN FEST - Milwaukee, WI

Concert Photographer

JUNE 202

 Photographed live concerts, festivals, and music events, capturing the essence and excitement of performances through a combination of artistic composition, lighting techniques, and decisive moments.

Guilford High School - Rockford, IL

Freelance Videographer

January 2023 - June 2023

- Assisted in the creation of promotional videos for the credit union. Filmed and edited videos highlighting the credit union's services, products, and community involvement.
- Developed, filmed, and edited videos for the high school graphic design lab. Collaborated with students and faculty to create visually engaging and informative video content.
- Created visually captivating videos for the Production
 Academy, collaborating closely with instructors and students to produce engaging and informative video content.

Auburn High School - Rockford, IL

Media Internship

September 2022 – December 2022

- Taught students how to use cameras, video equipment, and editing software.
- Assisted students in project completion and designed a lesson to enhance students photography skills; Oversaw student learning and camera checkout during the teacher's absence.
- Assisted with creating a positive working environment for students and learned about school settings.