

# Ben Scott

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Data visualization, infographics, journalist

## Profile

I'm a budding data journalist with newsroom experience at the **University of Missouri**. I'm learning JavaScript and D3 in an independent study this semester.

## Software

Adobe Illustrator  
InDesign, Photoshop  
Tableau, Datawrapper  
WordPress, BLOX CMS  
iNews, MediaCentral

## Computer Languages

HTML, CSS  
Learning JavaScript and D3  
Vega-Lite API  
DB Browser, SQL-lite

## Soft Skills

Graphic design  
Copy editing, AP Style  
Data analysis, news reporting  
Remote work

## Education

University of Missouri-Columbia  
Data journalism major  
English minor  
Honors college — 3.7 GPA  
Graduation December 2021

## Experience

### Columbia Missourian Graphics Editor (January 2021 to present)

- Teaching assistant for the graphics desk and infographics class for a newspaper serving mid-Missouri region.
- Teach new graphics reporters how to use Adobe Illustrator to create infographics and data viz for print and digital.
- Participate in daily budget meetings with faculty editors in planning upcoming content.

### MSNBC Breaking News Intern (summer 2021)

- Logged and transcribed interviews on major TV networks.
- Monitored social media and local news outlets for any breaking storylines report, such as the Surfside building collapse.
- Watched press conferences and chose best quotes to transcribe, developing a keen news sense.

### Columbia Missourian Staffer (May 2020 to present)

- Assumed various roles, currently work as a copy editor.
- Daily reporter in summer 2020. Covered COVID-19 beat along with general assignments and mastered basics of journalism.
- Graphics reporter in fall 2020, Learned how to visualize quantities in a contextual and simple manner.

### Maneater Student Politics Editor (April 2019 to May 2020)

- Managed section of around 10 student reporters at Mizzou's independent student newspaper and edited their stories.

### Maneater Staff Writer (September 2018 to April 2019)

- Pitched and wrote weekly stories for student politics section.

### Chipotle Employee (August 2018 to January 2020)