

# Katharine Wilson

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## Journalism Experience

### The Diamondback – Staff Writer

*August 2022 – Present*

- Covering city and campus development for a daily digital independent student newspaper
- Writing two stories every week on construction projects, businesses and how developments impact racial and socioeconomic groups in College Park
- Reported on The College Park City Council and how their policies affect students and permanent residents
- Major projects have included a series on city redistricting, court reporting on the mayor's arrest and lead coverage of a subsequent special election
- Experience reporting on rallies, interviewing state politicians and covering how national politics impacts the local community

### Montgomery Community Media – Editorial Intern

*September 2023 – Present*

- Writing breaking news and features for a daily non-profit digital news publication in Montgomery County, MD
- Stories have included a feature on how hip-hop music and culture influenced three contemporary artists, breaking coverage of a police accountability public hearing, court reporting and an investigation into how a sanitary commission broke agreements with both an equestrian center and the surrounding community

### WMUC-FM Radio – Producer

*February 2023 – Present*

- Producing WMUC-FM's pop culture news and talk show "Drop the Pop"
- Controlling mic and music audio levels, sequences during the weekly live broadcast
- Managing reporters, commentators and social media accounts
- Editing stories and approving pitches, prioritizing timeliness and audience appeal

### The Herald-Mail – Editorial Intern

*May 2023 – August 2023*

- Wrote breaking news and features for a USA Today Network print and online newspaper in Hagerstown, MD
- Stories delved into historical preservation efforts, the Western Maryland art scene and how state and national politics impacted Washington County residents
- Developed and wrote for the newspaper's "Hidden Treasures" series which highlighted interesting people and obscure places in the county
- Covered the legalization of recreational cannabis, a refugee settlement program and the history of aircraft production

### The Local News Network – Reporter

*August 2022 – December 2022*

- Collaborated on a statewide school board voter guide for Capital News Service, a project that collected data on over 100 candidates across Maryland
- Wrote an enterprise story on pandemic learning loss, later published in The Baltimore Banner and Maryland Matters
- Performed background checks (criminal, educational, vocational) on school board candidates

### College Park Here & Now – Intern, City Council Reporter

*January 2022 – May 2022*

- Local politics reporter for a monthly print newspaper, focused coverage on major policy movements of the city council
- Produced weekly executive summaries of city council meetings
- Wrote one to two articles per print edition, including coverage of City of College Park initiatives on restorative justice, homeownership programs and stormwater mitigation

### News Not Noise – Intern

*September 2021 – December 2021*

- Summarized national political issues for a social media-based news blog
- Performed background research on guest interview subjects and prepared interview questions for reporters
- Fact-checked and transcribed interviews on the COVID-19 pandemic
- Wrote social media blurbs for a collaboration with USA Facts

## Education

B.A. in Journalism, Government & Politics  
The University of Maryland, College Park

Expected Graduation: May 2025 GPA: 3.98  
Media, Self and Society Scholars Citation

## Skills

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|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| • FOIA requests | • Adobe Premiere Pro video editing, Adobe InDesign | • HTML, CSS and Bootstrap code     | • Background checks                  | • Radio broadcasting |
| • Photography   | • Presto and WordPress content management systems  | • Search engine optimization (SEO) | • DSLR, broadcast camera videography | • Microsoft Excel    |