

# Samantha Chaney

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## EDUCATION

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**Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, New York** May 2022

*Master of Science, Journalism*

- Working as an MMJ on hyperlocal video and written stories covering politics, health, and urban development
- Wrote master's thesis on the role Black Doulas and physicians play in the maternal health crisis plaguing the nation

**Howard University, Cathy Hughes School of Communications, Washington, DC** May 2021

*Bachelor of Arts, Broadcast Journalism. Summa Cum Laude. Selected as department's best broadcast journalist in 2021*

- Honors: White House Correspondents' Association Scholar | Student Production Award, National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences | Best Television Undergraduate Feature, NABJ 2021 Salute to Excellence Awards

## JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

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**Freelance Writer and Editor, New York** Oct. 2021 – Present

- *CNN Style*– Published an article on how three NYC hair stylists survived the pandemic beauty industry
- *Elite Daily*– Published an article profiling a Black restaurateur and her plant-based cafe in Brooklyn, NY

**CBS News—Political Unit, Washington, DC** *News Intern* Sept. 2020 – Apr. 2021

- Worked directly with political embeds to create 2024 presidential candidate briefing books
- Transcribed press conferences for the 2020 presidential debates
- Created voter data guides used to produce 2020 election polls

**CBS This Morning, New York** *News Intern* Jun. 2020 – Jul. 2020

- Conducted background research on potential show guests for the booking department
- Attended daily story meetings with executive producers and correspondents
- Scheduled interviews for a story highlighting the direct impact of COVID-19 on frontline workers

**CBS Evening News with Norah O'Donnell, Washington, DC** *News Intern* Sept. 2019 – Dec. 2019

- Attended and live-tweeted from the impeachment hearings of President Donald Trump
- Interviewed members of Congress for inclusion in reporter packages

## COLLEGIATE JOURNALISM

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**Howard University News Service, Washington, DC** *Student News Reporter* Jan. 2019 – May 2021

- Selected by the PBS affiliate WHUT-TV to produce, shoot, edit, and report packages covering education and politics

## SKILLS AND ACTIVITIES

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- **Video/Audio Editing Software:** Adobe Premiere Pro, Final Cut Pro
- **Membership:** National Association of Black Journalists, Columbia University Association of Black Journalists

## REFERENCES

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- Joy-Ann Reid, Howard University Visiting Professor/ MSNBC Correspondent
- Katie Dominick, Coordinating Producer, CBS News Political Unit
- Rita Omokha, Columbia University Reporting Adjunct Professor