# **Alex Schuman**

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# **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

#### Reporter/MMJ, Media General

Washington, D.C. Bureau, Capitol Hill Correspondent

August 2015 - Present

- Report and enterprise Capitol Hill stories for Media General stations
- Shoot and Edit

# **GA Reporter/Political Reporter**, WHAS11 News, Louisville, KY September 2013 - Present

- Fill-in Anchor
- Shoot and Edit
- 2015 Kentucky AP Broadcasters "Best Political Coverage" 2nd Place

#### Multimedia Journalist, ABC5 WOI-DT, Des Moines, IA August 2011 – September 2013

- Statehouse Reporter, booked and interviewed candidates for President of the United States and other offices
- Inspired management to create Statehouse "beat" and allow reporters to begin doing longer sweeps pieces

## **Administrative Intern**, Senator Chuck Grassley's Office, Washington, D.C. Summer 2009

- Researched policy issues, assisted with political affairs, and communicated with constituents
- Reformatted office's U.S. Capitol tour to improve historical accuracy
- Scheduled and conducted tours of the Capitol Building and helped with other miscellaneous administrative projects

## Correspondent/Education/General Reporter

Summer 2008 & Summer 2010

The Messenger newspaper, Fort Dodge, IA

- Captured heart-wrenching moments, daily events, and amusing snapshots as a photographer
- Updated Iowans on policy proposals, local trailblazers, and delivered original beat-based stories
- Accurately informed 19,000 daily readers

## **LEADERSHIP ROLES:**

**Host**, Talk Iowa - a student-run political talk show broadcasted to over 240,000 homes March 2008- May 2011

**Creator**, **Producer**, **Host**, Informavores - weekly two hour politics and news discussion radio show Sept. 2009 – Dec. 2010

- First show to garner enough popularity to be syndicated on both KRUI stations
- Compile rundowns, booked guests, news gathering, edit audio clips, and oversee social media marketing

**Senator**, University of Iowa Student Government – Appropriations and Government Relations committees May 2010 – April 2011

• Distributed \$350,000 between 500 student organizations and help represent 20,500 undergrads to local, state and federal government officials

**Executive Producer, Head Writer, Co-host**, Laugh Track - comedy variety show Jan. 2009 – May 2011

• Pioneered a sketch series broadcast to over 240,000 homes, and oversaw a 20 person staff

#### HONORS AND AWARDS:

**Kentucky AP Broadcasters** – 2nd Place "Best Political Coverage" 2015

**Iowa Broadcast News Assoc. Award** – 1st place in public affairs for investigative piece on sex trafficking April 2013

**Ernest H. Garbe Scholarship** – national award for a Phi Psi exemplifying leadership in journalism February 2011

**Laurence Fairall Award** – rewarded to native Iowans based on academics and community involvement November 2011

**Harry S. Bunker Award** – journalism students based on academics and campus involvement May 2010

## **EDUCATION: Graduation: May 2011**

BA, Journalism, University of Iowa BA, Political Science, University of Iowa Minor in Theatre Arts (Playwriting Emphasis)

## **MULTIMEDIA SKILLS:**

Final Cut Pro After Effects Lighting equipment Avid Adobe Illustrator Remote broadcast equipment (liveshot backpack) Adobe Premiere Adobe Photoshop Sony, Canon, and JVC cameras

#### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:**

Contributing journalist to IowaWatch.org, Trinity Regional Hospice, Iowa Scriptwriter's Association, Young Professionals

Connection, Des Moines Social Club Theatre, Paperback Rhino Improv, playwright