

# Sara Diggins

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## Visual Journalist

### Experience

#### **The Missoulian**

*Photographer (Fall 2019-Current)*

- Photographs an array of news, arts and sports assignments for the daily newspaper.

*Photo Intern (Summer 2019)*

#### **MAPS Media Institute**

*Photojournalism Instructor (Summer 2020)*

- Designed curriculum and taught photojournalism to high school students. Focused on visual storytelling, ethics and changes in the industry.

*Social Media Manager (Summer 2020)*

- Analyzed best practices for MAPS social media, worked on plans to promote content and tell MAPS story, as well as work toward further community outreach.

#### **Native News**

*Photographer and Reporter (Spring 2020)*

- Pre-reported and pitched stories about tribal science. Adjusted when the project was sidelined due to COVID-19. Reported and wrote about the pandemic's impact on Montana reservations.

#### **Montana Kaimin**

*Digital Editor (Summer 2020)*

- Responsible for the newspaper's website. Edited and published breaking news, sports and other timely content. Helped make high-level decisions regarding the student paper.

*Multimedia Editor (Fall 2018-Winter 2020)*

- Managed and edited multimedia journalism, managed a team of photographers and worked with them and the editorial staff to make publication decisions.

*Photographer (Fall 2017-Winter 2020)*

#### **Freelance experience with:**

*STAT News, KUOW Seattle, Boy Scouts of America, The Salt Lake Tribune*

### Education Achievements

**The University of Montana School of Journalism, Class of 2021 - 3.8 GPA**

**Hearst Journalism Awards - Photography I - News and Features:** Second place

**College Photographer of the Year 2019 - Sports Feature:** Bronze

**SPJ - Excellence in Journalism, Pacific Northwest - Portrait Photography:** First place

**SPJ Mark of Excellence Awards - Photo Illustration:** Winner

**SPJ Mark of Excellence Awards Region 10**

- Breaking News Photography: Winner (2019, 2020)
- Photo Illustration: Winner (2020)
- Online Feature Reporting: Winner (2020)
- General News Photography: Finalist (2019, 2020)
- Feature Photography: Finalist (2020)

### Skills

Nikon, Canon Camera systems | BLOX CMS | Google Analytics certified | live radio and audio storytelling | video interviews | Adobe Lightroom, Photoshop, Premier, InDesign, Audition | smartphone photography and storytelling | Studio photography and lighting |

### References

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