so you want to be a REPORTER

WHAT IS A NEWS REPORTER?
News reporters work for newspapers, local or national TV and radio stations, and for online news resources. News reporters generally work full-time (40 hours or more a week). News reporters generally need to have a bachelor’s degree or equivalent experience in journalism or radio-TV-film communication.

REPORTER’S TASKS
- Review copy and correct errors in content, grammar, and punctuation.
- Gather news through interviews and research.
- Report and write stories for publication.
- Publish stories in a variety of media.

There are opportunities here for students, whether they’re in radio, TV or writing. If a student’s willing to work hard, they can get more experience here than anywhere else.

Makala Coleman, senior communication major

relevant classes we offer
- Photography
- Photojournalism
- Convergent Journalism
- Broadcast Journalism
- Reporting
- Photo & Graphic Editing
- Editorial Techniques
- Writing for Publication

HOW WE CAN HELP
Southwestern’s Department of Communication consists of a faculty with decades of experience. Students will have direct access to writing opportunities as well as an opportunity for radio and television experience to help them grow as future news reporters.

SKILLS NEEDED
- Mastery of grammar, spelling and punctuation
- Strong skills in reporting and writing
- Ability to work with people
- Ability to multitask and work under pressure
- Good time management skills

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