

# Allison Novelo

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## EXPERIENCE

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### Chicago Sun-Times

Chicago, IL

*Breaking News Reporter*

*June 2022 - Present*

- ◆ Respond to emergencies with a strong sense of urgency and write multiple breaking news stories in a day
- ◆ Pitch weekly enterprise stories about various topics affecting Chicago, including crime, politics, health and court reporting
- ◆ Interview multiple candidates across wards to bring well-informed coverage of Chicago's aldermanic election
- ◆ Covered the Illinois state comptroller's and treasurer's offices during the midterm elections, highlighting the candidates' personal backgrounds and approaches to the state's financial recovery

### USA Today

Denver, CO/Leesburg, VA

*Elections Reporter*

*November 2021-June 2022*

- ◆ Interviewed several state legislators, secretary of state candidates and professors in the Denver area to bring in-depth election coverage to the publication's readers
- ◆ Provided live updates from Loudon County of the Virginia governor's race for USA Today's election blog, focusing on interviewing a diverse population of voters on issues important to them

### Hearst Television

Washington DC

*Investigative Producer/Researcher*

*April 2022-June 2022*

- ◆ Conducted research, acquired sources and organized reporting trips for long-term investigative projects distributed to local news stations across the country

### Frederick News-Post

Frederick, MD

*Reporter*

*January 2022-March 2022*

- ◆ Pitched daily stories and weekly enterprise stories on issues relevant to the community

### U.S. Army National Guard

Washington DC

*Public Affairs Mass Communications Specialist*

*October 2021-April 2022*

- ◆ Assisted in research, preparation, and distribution of news releases, articles, web-based material and photographs on Army personnel

### Medill News Service

Chicago, IL/Washington DC

*Politics Reporter*

*June 2021-June 2022*

- ◆ Wrote daily news, breaking news and conducted multimedia coverage of House and Senate proceedings and White House policy announcements

## EDUCATION

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### Northwestern University

*MS June 2022*

Journalism: Politics, Policy & Foreign Affairs

- ◆ White House Correspondents Association scholarship recipient

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

*BALAS May 2020*

Economics & Political Science

## SKILLS

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- ◆ Proficient with HTML, CSS and JavaScript
- ◆ Fluent in Spanish