

Bruce A. Darnell

JOURNALIST

Edwardsville, IL

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Portfolio

<https://badportfolio.wordpress.com/>

Skills and Abilities

- Writing (long form literary journalism and AP Style)
- Photography (intense protests, local events, and portraits)
- Reporting (investigative, feature, accountability, and hard news)
- Meticulous self-editing and attention to detail

Experience

Troy Times Tribune, Freelance Reporter

August 2025-present

- Beat reporting in Marine and St. Jacob covering development and local government
- Photography for articles, holiday events, car and air shows, and local oddities and festivals

SIUE Athletics, Camera Operator

November 2024-present

- Live filming of various collegiate sports for ESPN+

Belleville News-Democrat, Intern

Summer 2024, Summer 2025

- In-depth feature writing on unique characters and historic locations
- Quick coverage of breaking news, car wrecks, road closures, and local disasters
- Reported on criminal trials via court visits, intensive document research, and peer collaboration
- Reported on local issues like homelessness, protests, new legislation, and gel blaster incidents

The Alestle, Managing Editor, Sports Editor, Reporter

August 2022-May 2024

- Wrote enterprise stories on long-term labor struggles and protests on and off campus
- Reported on basketball, wrestling, fencing, and esports
- Produced, recorded, and edited audio for a podcast
- Managed the newsroom to coordinate projects, assign articles, and hire workers
- Developed skills in Photoshop, Premiere, Lightroom, and InDesign

Education

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Bachelor of Science

May 2026

Major in Mass Communications, concentration in Journalism. Minors in History, Creative Writing