

# Chris Amaya

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## Summary of Qualifications

- Award-winning student journalist with experience in reporting and editing.
- B.A. in journalism with minor in broadcast communications.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills built through interviewing.
- Bilingual — fluent in English and Spanish.
- Dynamic leader and team player, constantly motivating others toward success.

## Education

### Bachelor of Arts in Communication (Journalism)

Dec. 2020

University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX

## Work Experience

### Sports Editor

The Shorthorn Newspaper, Arlington, TX

Jan. 2019 – Dec. 2020

- Managed a team of reporters while covering UTA men's basketball, the premier sport at the university.
- Planned and created daily sports content for the newspaper's website, while focusing on longer, in-depth stories for a weekly print edition.
- Helped the Fall 2020 sports desk transition to remote work and adapt to changes that came with the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Freelancer

The Dallas Morning News, Dallas, TX

Aug. 2019 – Nov. 2020

- Traveled around Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex to cover Texas high school football games in the Fall.
- Logged play-by-play statistics and wrote game recaps for every assignment using systems like TeamPlayer in 2019 and LocalGraf in 2020.
- Communicated weekly with sports editors at The Dallas Morning News to set up game coverage and team roster updates.

### Editorial Intern

Dave Campbell's Texas Football, Lewisville, TX

May 2020 – July 2020

- Assisted with final proofs on the 60<sup>th</sup> edition of the Dave Campbell's Texas Football summer magazine, also known as the Bible of Texas Football.
- Researched and compiled Texas high school football information on spreadsheets for the Texas Football Today podcast.
- Interviewed high school football coaches around the state and wrote feature stories for the [texasfootball.com](http://texasfootball.com) website.