# Jake Griffith

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#### **Career Summary**

A high performing and dedicated play-by-play broadcaster, with additional experience in several aspects of sports journalism and sports broadcasting. Has a proven record of success across multiple platforms and institutions to include:

Executive producing Videography/Editing Anchoring News reporting Non-linear editing Copy editing Strong writing skills Writing for the web Graphic design Newspaper Editor TV Play-by-play Radio play-by-play ENPS AP NewsDesk Edius Pro Technical media producing

### Highlights

- Marshall Athletics TV play-by-play on various national outlets
- Multiple article contributor for the Charlotte Observer (NC) newspaper
- Covered and reported on New Orleans Saints training camp for SB Nation (Summer 2016)
- Sports-related articles featured on Bleacher Report's mobile app
- Member of the Football Writers Association of America, US Basketball Writers Association

#### Education

#### Marshall University

#### 1/2016-5/2017

Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, Broadcast Journalism Dean's List (Spring 2016, Fall 2016) Outstanding Undergraduate in Broadcast Journalism Ernie Salvatore Award for Outstanding Sports Writing Broadcast MVP of MUTV

#### Lindenwood University-Belleville

#### 1/2014-12/2015

Dean's List (Spring 2014-Spring 2015) 2015 Humanities Student of the Year Member - Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society

### **Experience**

### HerdZone.com (Marshall University Athletics):

TV play-by-play

- Play-by-play for 8 different sports on the CUSA.tv Digital Network, ESPN3, ESPN+, Stadium Sports and beIN College Sports
- Sideline reporter for ESPN College Football and college football on Stadium Sports
- Content featured on ESPN's College GameDay
- Produced long-form feature stories on various Marshall athletes
- Regualry conducted interviews with coaches and players on-camera for social media

### WSAZ NewsChannel 3 (NBC affiliate):

Internship, Photojournalist (part-time paid position)

- Worked with reporters and producers to package news stories for broadcast
- Shot/edited video of news, sports and special features
- Produced videos for television, station website and social media
- Edited packages, VOSOTS and other content for daily news shows
- Provided video coverage of breaking news in the Tri-State area
- Experience using TVU live backpack

### SBNation:

New Orleans Saints Contributor and Training Camp Reporter

- Covered the 2016 NFL Draft with stories and social media coverage
- Wrote feature stories and player profiles
- Attended the Saints' 2016 Training Camp in WV
- Weekly Saints contributor to the Alan Michael Show on 103.7 FM "The Game"
- Ran the Canal Street Chronicles (SBNation's Saints website) Instagram account
- Content featured in the Bleacher Report "TeamStream" app

## Marshall University:

Station Manager and Sports Director, MUTV Channel 25

- Covered home sporting events for MUTV (shot and edited highlights)
- Produced and hosted sport segment for MUTV's main news show, MU Report
- Responsible for managing all social media accounts for MUTV
- Coordinated with West Virginia Public Broadcasting to broadcast MUTV content
- Creator and host of Coaches Corner, MUTV's first ever coaches show

Sports Editor, The Parthenon, Marshall's campus newspaper

- Page designer
- Contributor and columnist
- Assigned stories to reporters
- Managed small staff of sports journalists
- Responsible for the Parthenon Twitter account
- Liaison between The Parthenon and Marshall University Athletic Department
- Started as a reporter and then served as assistant sports editor in prior semesters

Other involvement:

- Key team member for livestream coverage of Marshall women's soccer
- Operated the control board, worked as on-air DJ and cut radio packages for WMUL-FM 88.1, (Marshall's campus radio station)

## 1/2016-5/2017

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5/2016-9/2016

#### 5/2017-present

### Lindenwood University- Belleville:

### 1/2014-12/2015

- Lead play-by-play announcer for various live varsity sporting events (color commentator)
- Sports covered: football, men's basketball, men's soccer, women's soccer, women's basketball, men's and women's lacrosse, men's rugby and baseball
- Traveled with various sporting teams to broadcast sporting events (89.1 HD-3, Charter TV Channels 43 & 989
- Conducted live pre- and post-game interviews with coaches and players for both home and away games
- Researched statistics for all live-sports broadcasts
- Host/producer of The Sports Report, a weekly sports show focusing on the various sports at LU-B (similar to SportsCenter)
- Created graphics, scripts, packages, highlights and interview schedule for The Sports Report
- Host/producer of All Things Sports with Jake, a weekly call-in radio show on 89.1 FM
- Worked as a DJ for 89.1 FM
- Managed the control board for various live sports broadcasts

## Software/Equipment

Experience using the following software: Adobe CS5 and CS6, Final Cut Pro, Motion, ENPS, Edius Pro, AP NewsDesk, Microsoft Office, Cinema 4D and Wide Orbit operating system.
Experience using the following equipment: TVU live "backpack", Canon XL1, Cannon XL2, Telex remote radio broadcasting equipment

# Additional Experience

- PA announcer at Highland Speedway, Highland, IL, for a vintage car race
- Part-time sound engineer at GCS Ballpark, Sauget, IL for one season of Gateway Grizzlies baseball of the Frontier Baseball League
- Play-by-play announcer for St. Louis University Men's Lacrosse (2013)
- Selected for the 101 ESPN Sportscaster Factor contest and made it to the final 8 of all the applicants selected
- PA announcer for Chatham Community Football League

## **Memberships**

- Member of the Football Writers Association of America (2016-present)
- Member of the Sportscasters Talent Agency of America (2018-present)
- Member of the US Basketball Writer's Association (2017-present)
- President LU-B chapter of the National Society of Broadcasters/Alpha Epsilon Rho (2014)