

## **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:

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

### **Highlights**

- Voice of the 2019 Conference USA Men's Soccer Championships on ESPN+
- Play-by-play for NCAA Soccer Tournament Round of 32 match on ESPN3
- Voice of the 2018 Conference USA Volleyball Championships on ESPN+
- Marshall Athletics TV play-by-play on ESPN+
- Member of the Football Writers Association of America, US Basketball Writers Association
- Covered New Orleans Saints training camp for SB Nation (Summer 2016)

### **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):**

**5/2017-present**

#### *Lead Broadcast Talent/Director of Multimedia*

- Play-by-play voice for 8 different sports on ESPN, WatchStadium, beIN Sports and local outlets
- Chosen by Conference USA to serve as the voice of the 2019 Conference USA Men's Soccer Tournament in Norfolk, Va.
- Served as the voice of the 2018 Conference USA Volleyball Tournament on ESPN+
- Selected by C-USA league office to serve as the sideline reporter for the opening round of the C-USA Basketball Championships at The Star at Frisco (Texas)
- Responsible for creating on-air graphics using Viz Trio Graphic Software to build each broadcast
- Shot, edited and fronted interviews, long-form stories, post-game reports and features, as well as various video content for HerdZone social media

### **WSAZ News Channel 3 (NBC affiliate):**

**5/2016-9/2016**

#### *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

### **SBNation:**

**1/2016-1/2017**

#### *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 (Undergrad):**

**1/2016-5/2017**

#### *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
- Managed small staff of sports journalists (assigned stories and other duties)
- Responsible for running the Parthenon Twitter account in a professional manner
- Liaison between The Parthenon and Marshall University Athletic Department

#### *Other involvement:*

- Operated the control board, worked as on-air DJ and cut radio packages for WMUL-FM 88.1, (Marshall's campus radio station)

### **Software/Equipment**

- Experience using the following software: Adobe CC, Final Cut Pro, Motion, ENPS, Edius Pro, AP NewsDesk, Microsoft Office, Cinema 4D, Wide Orbit operating system, 3PLAY Replay Software, Viz Trio graphic software.
- Experience using the following equipment: TVU live “backpack”, Canon XL1, Cannon XL2, Telex remote radio broadcasting equipment

### **Additional Experience**

- Lead radio play-by-play voice for 9 varsity sports while enrolled at Lindenwood University-Belleville (NAIA) in Belleville, Illinois; also travelled with teams to broadcast road games
- Host of The Sports Report while enrolled at LU-B, a SportsCenter-style show carried on Charter airwaves across the greater-St. Louis market; also responsible for creation of on-air graphics and editing of packages, interviews and highlights, in addition to anchoring
- Named play-by-play voice for St. Louis University Men’s Lacrosse as a junior in high school
- Selected for the 101 ESPN Sportscaster Factor contest and made it to the final 8 of all the applicants selected

### **Memberships**

- Member of 4Leaf Talent Development, run by ESPN sideline reporter Jill Montgomery
- Member of the Football Writers Association of America (2016-present)
- Member of the Sportscasters Talent Agency of America (2018-)
- Member of the US Basketball Writers Association (2017-present)
- President – LU-B chapter of the National Society of Broadcasters/Alpha Epsilon Rho (2014)