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WORK EXPERIENCE

Yahoo Sports, Features Writer

2017 - present

- Enterprise stories
 - o Find, report and write untold stories about oft-covered events, such as Kobe Bryant's death and the Miracle on Ice
 - O Humanize prominent sports figures with in-depth profiles or creative angles; past subjects include <u>Megan Rapinoe</u>, <u>Nick Saban</u>, <u>Tom Brady</u> and <u>fired NFL coaches</u>
 - o Distill complex, underexplored topics into digestible, compelling narratives that impact and educate readers
 - Over four years, hundreds of stories across a variety of sports and subjects have generated more than 188 million pageviews
- Quick-turnaround stories
 - o Respond to breaking news with original reporting and follow-up features, often overnight
 - o Found the backstories of the <u>"rogue" employee</u> behind the NFL's first Black Lives Matter statement, and the <u>players-only Zoom call</u> that unified college football's #WeWantToPlay movement
 - o Research and report <u>SEO-friendly explainers</u> that contextualize important issues and news events
 - Write timely and accurate <u>breaking news stories</u>, occasionally with original sourcing; pre-write and pre-report <u>newsers</u> and <u>follow-up stories</u> in anticipation of major developments
 - Reported weekly on the sports world's navigation of the COVID-19 pandemic and racial justice movements
- Major event coverage
 - Covered the 2020 Olympics; over three weeks in Tokyo, published 80 stories that were read by 22 million people
 - o Covered swimming daily while also finding <u>novel</u>, <u>under-the-radar stories</u> elsewhere
 - Helped plan and lead Yahoo's coverage of the <u>2018 men's World Cup</u> and <u>2019 women's World Cup</u>
 - Wrote on-the-whistle game stories, insightful daily roundups and non-matchday columns
 - o Reported and wrote lead-in features on Ramadan, individual U.S. players and the 1999 USWNT's legacy
 - o Write quirky, distinctive pre-Super Bowl stories annually, on topics ranging from Tom Brady to a porn hack
 - o Write <u>incisive columns off NFL games</u>, with scenes and material from locker rooms and postgame scrums
 - o Analyze key moments in high-profile games, at World Cups and Final Fours, using self-made GIFs and diagrams
 - o Find unique angles at events covered by hundreds of media members, such as NBA All-Star Weekend
- Soccer coverage
 - o Spent 12 months as a global soccer writer, before 2018 promotion into current role
 - Maintained deep knowledge of the sport since; cover the U.S. national teams, the failed Super League and more

Sports Illustrated, *Intern*

2016

- Fact-checked dozens of magazine stories, working with SI's top editors and writers to ensure accuracy
- Pitched, reported and wrote soccer stories for SI.com outside of typical intern responsibilities

Inside NU, Writer, Editor-in-Chief

2013 - 2016

- Helped build a nascent student-run website into a destination for Northwestern University sports content
- Covered football and basketball beats; developed relationships with players and coaches that led to revealing features
- Wrote and edited stories daily; directed live event coverage; oversaw multi-faceted audience growth strategy

Freelance work: ESPN.com, SB Nation

AWARDS

- APSE first place for projects, <u>Category A. 2020</u> (<u>The Privilege of Play</u>)
- APSE top 10 for digital, <u>Category A. 2020</u> (<u>The Real NFL Passing Leaderboards</u> was one of Yahoo Sports' five entries)
- William R. Reed award, top student sports journalist in the Big Ten, 2015

RELEVANT SKILLS

- Compiling, organizing and analyzing data to help tell intelligent stories
- Limited Spanish-speaking proficiency

EDUCATION