

Mason Gray

Print/Digital Journalist

I tell stories that capture the character of Central Florida, focusing on the moments that define its communities. I previously covered the College of Sciences for UCF's student newspaper, The Charge, and now serve as the men's basketball beat reporter. My work has also appeared in The Community Paper, which covers about 34 Orlando neighborhoods, and Oviedo Community News, serving the Oviedo and Winter Springs areas. I am working toward a B.A. in Print/Digital Journalism at the University of Central Florida, with an expected graduation in Fall 2026.

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Education

University of Central Florida

2023 - Present
Print/Digital Journalism Major
History Minor
Current GPA: 3.8
Dean's List -- Fall 2024 - Spring 2025 - Fall 2025

Valencia College

Graduated with honors in Dec. 2023
Member of P.T.K. Honor Society
Cumulative GPA: 3.8
President's List -- Fall 2021 - Spring 2023; Dean's List -- Fall 2023

Memberships

- UCF Society of Professional Journalists
- Tau Sigma National Honor Society

References

Eric Adelson | UCF Professor of Journalism

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Nick Georgoudiou | The Community Paper

Email: nick@community-paper.com
Phone number: (321) 662-7268

Megan Stokes | Oviedo Community News

Email: contact@oviedocommunitynews.org
Phone number: (321) 307-8023

Experience

The Charge News, [thechargenews.com](https://www.thechargenews.com)

Men's Basketball Beat Reporter | Spring 2026

- Cover UCF men's basketball, producing game stories, previews and features on deadline.
- Conduct postgame interviews with players and coaches, integrating quotes into AP-style coverage.
- Analyze team trends, statistics and storylines to deliver accurate, timely digital reporting.

College of Sciences Beat Reporter | Spring 2025

- Reported on research developments, campus initiatives and events within the College of Sciences.
- Interviewed professors, researchers and students to translate complex topics for a general audience.
- Expanded audience reach by promoting stories across social media platforms.

Contributing Reporter | Aug. 2024 - Present

- Pitched, reported and wrote news and feature stories on campus events and student life.
- Collaborated with editors to strengthen reporting, structure and clarity.
- Adapted writing style to meet AP standards and publication voice.

Oviedo Community News, [oviedocommunitynews.org](https://www.oviedocommunitynews.org)

Editorial Intern | Fall 2025

- Reported and wrote news and feature stories on local events, businesses and issues in Oviedo and Winter Springs.
- Interviewed residents, business owners and local officials to provide balanced community coverage.
- Covered community events and city meetings, contributing timely local reporting.

The Community Paper, [yourcommunitypaper.com](https://www.yourcommunitypaper.com)

Editorial Intern | Summer 2025

- Covered hyperlocal news and community events across Orlando neighborhoods, including College Park, Mills 50 and SoDo
- Wrote profiles, event coverage and community briefs for print and digital platforms.
- Attended local events and conducted interviews with residents, business owners and artists to develop community-focused stories.

Skills

- AP Style
- Social Media Management
- BLOX CMS, WordPress
- Editing
- Public Records Research
- Creative Writing
- Microsoft Office
- Storytelling