

# Mason Gray

Print/Digital Journalist

I'm an Orlando-based journalist covering local communities, government and sports. I currently intern with Team Orlando News and previously served as a Scripps Howard Fund intern at Oviedo Community News. I also serve as Co-Sports Editor for UCF's student newspaper, The Charge. I'm pursuing a B.A. in Print/Digital Journalism at the University of Central Florida and expect to graduate 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 - Spring 2026

### 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

## Skills

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

## Experience

### Team Orlando News, teamorlando.org

#### Journalism Intern | Aug. 2026 - Present

- Report and write news and feature stories covering Central Florida's modeling, simulation and training community.
- Cover collaboration among military services, industry and academia, including emerging technologies, research and industry events.
- Interview military and industry leaders to translate complex MS&T topics for a broad audience.

### Oviedo Community News, oviidocommunitynews.org

#### Scripps Howard Fund Intern | Summer 2026

- Selected as a 2026 Scripps Howard Fund intern to report on local government, development and community issues in Oviedo and Winter Springs.
- Pursued enterprise stories through public records requests, data analysis and source development.
- Covered breaking news, public meetings and community events on deadline for digital publication.

#### 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.

### The Charge News, thechargenews.com

#### Co-Sports Editor | Aug. 2026 - Present

- Edit UCF sports coverage for accuracy, AP style and publication on deadline.
- Coordinate story assignments and coverage across UCF athletic programs.

#### Men's Basketball Beat Reporter | Spring 2026

- Covered UCF men's basketball, produced game stories, previews and features on deadline.
- Conducted postgame interviews with players and coaches, integrating quotes into AP-style coverage.

#### 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.

### The Community Paper, yourcommunitypaper.com

#### Editorial Intern | Summer 2025

- Covered local 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.