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SKILLS SUMMARY

Writing: Strong writing and reading comprehension skills honed composing articles for the IUPUI's *Sports Capital Journalism Program*, the Horizon League, and University of Calgary's student publication, *The Gauntlet*. Capable of writing quickly and efficiently, with minimal errors. Eye for detail when editing.

Interviewing & broadcasting: Capable, energetic speaker who delivers in a clear and engaging manner in sportscasts and presentations. Experienced in conducting various kinds of journalistic interviews for IUPUI Athletics, the Horizon League and *The Gauntlet*.

Teamwork: Experienced working in diverse group settings at IUPUI, *The Gauntlet* and Camp Evergreen. Strong communication and conflict resolution skills to maintain positive work environment and efficient execution of tasks.

Personal initiative: Frequently pitched new, creative ideas for sports articles at IUPUI Athletics and *The Gauntlet*. Often facilitated unplanned activities at Camp Evergreen to accommodate spontaneous guest requests.

Organization & punctuality: Always communicated with team members and superiors to ensure timely and accurate completion of tasks. Consistently met deadlines in all work and school assignments.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Sports Journalism Graduate Student, IUPUI

- Further developing past journalistic skills by writing on shorter deadlines and on newfound subject matter, such as U.S. college athletics
- Acquiring hands-on sports broadcast experience doing play-by-play and color commentary for IUPUI basketball games
- Learning to compose long-form features requiring in-depth research and Freedom of Information requests
- Was trusted to cover the Horizon League Basketball Tournament and create content for the Horizon League website

Sports Writer, *The Gauntlet – University of Calgary*

- Covered various areas, from Canadian student athletics to professional sports and sports opinion
- Developed journalistic skills interviewing coaches and athletes in media scrums and long-form interviews

January 2020 – Present

September 2013 – May 2019

- Wrote more than 40 articles and conducted dozens of interviews to date
- Always met deadlines and built good relationships with six different sports editors

Sports Assistant, *The Gauntlet – University of Calgary*

- Collaborated directly with the sports editor on a weekly basis to develop articles and brainstorm a vision for the sports section
- Regularly pitched creative ideas telling seldom-told stories on various aspects of varsity sport
- Was trusted to cover high-profile events like the Hardy Cup and the Crowchild Classic on multiple occasions
- Never missed deadlines and consistently met quota of roughly one article per week

EDUCATION

Masters of Sports Journalism Sports Capital Journalism Program IUPUI

January – December 2020

Graduated June 2018

Bachelor of Arts: Law & Society (with distinction) Minor in English University of Calgary

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Seasonal Program Staff, Camp Evergreen

- Taught and organized various wide games & activities in an authoritative, yet entertaining manner (i.e. capture the flag, archery, canoeing). Assisted in setting up activities alone and in coordination with other staff
- Assisted clients by answering their questions regarding camp, its activities and their itineraries. Liaised between clients and senior staff to provide information and accommodate requests
- Engaged consistently with guests of all ages during activities, meals and free time. Ensured that all guests felt comfortable and included in activities
- Worked and lived closely with other staff to maintain positive work environment, resolve conflict and complete tasks efficiently
- Took leadership to facilitate spontaneous, unscheduled activities in order to provide guests with the best possible experience

Summer 2014 – Fall 2019

January 2018 – April 2018