

EVAN M. LEPAK

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Sports Reporter/Editor | The Venice Gondolier | Venice, FL April 2023 - Present

- Covers local area sports, interviewing players and coaches on a strict deadline.
- Writes features, game stories, columns, previews and more.
- Edits and proofreads the sports section of the newspaper for publication.
- Works with the design team and other editors at the newspaper to put out print.

Sports Reporter | The Goshen News | Goshen, IN January 2021 - January 2023

- Covered local area sports, as well as Notre Dame athletics.
- Wrote feature stories, game stories and columns to go along with co-hosting a podcast.
- Helped the sports editor put together budgets for the sports section and is involved in the design process.
- Took professional photos while covering sporting events.

Staff Intern | Rivals/Gators Territory | Gainesville, FL September 2020 - January 2021

- Wrote feature articles and game stories on UF football and basketball.
- Contributed daily to the fan forums on Gator Territory's website.

Sports Writer | The San Diego League | San Diego, CA June 2020 - August 2020

- Spoke with players and coaches on a daily basis to create game stories and previews.
- Wrote multiple feature articles that highlighted some of the Division I talent that the league hosted.

Assistant Sports Editor | The Independent Florida Alligator | Gainesville, FL January 2020 - May 2020

- Assisted the sports editor putting together the sports section three times a week.
- Utilized InCopy to edit and make changes to stories for the production team.
- Was responsible for posts on the alligator sports section's social media accounts.

Sports Writer | The Independent Florida Alligator | Gainesville, FL August 2018 - December 2020

- Covered Florida's cross country, swimming and diving, baseball and men's basketball teams for the largest student-run newspaper in the country.
- Published columns, game recaps, previews and features during peak periods of my beat's season.

OTHER INVOLVEMENT & EXPERIENCE

University Athletic Association Sports Photographer May 2019 - December 2020

- Took photos of various UF sporting events used for UF's social media and for FloridaGators.com.
- Edited photos using Adobe Photoshop.
- Helped with studio photoshoots that the marketing team utilizes to create graphics for social media.

ESPN Gainesville May 2018 - May 2020

- Wrote articles twice a week for ESPN Gainesville's website.

- Cut sound from interviews to add to articles and recorded 50-second audio “trendings” that aired live on ESPN Gainesville’s radio station.

HONORS & AWARDS

Knight Division “Tampa Bay Times” Scholarship Recipient	May 2019
Florida Press Association 2024 "Weekly Newspaper Contest" First Place Sports Feature Story	August 2024
Florida Press Association 2025 "Weekly Newspaper Contest" Second Place Sports Spot News Story	August 2025

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Journalism	December 2020
University of Florida, College of Journalism and Communications Gainesville, FL	
• Specialization in sports and media with an outside concentration in sport management	

Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts	
Polk State College Winter Haven, FL	August 2017