# **Wesley Branch**

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#### **Education:**

Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication: Journalism – A.B. John Huland Carmical <u>Sports Media Institute</u>
University of Georgia 2022- (Class of 2025)

Current Overall GPA: 3.6

# **Experience:**

University of Georgia Sports Communications, Undergraduate employee August 2023-

- Assisted with in-office duties for SID's and Graduate Assistants of varsity athletic teams at UGA. Directly assigned to Football, Men's Basketball and Men's Tennis
- Assisted SID's and Graduate Assistants with the research and creation of media guides for UGA's varsity athletics teams using Adobe InDesign.
- Helped with gameday tasks around the press box.
- Provided stats during football games to the Nielsen radio crew for Sirius XM broadcasts of Georgia Football games.
- Aided with setting up and breaking down press areas within the facility, directing UGA athletes to media availability, etc.

# **Gwinnett Daily Post Sports, Internship**

*May 2023 –* 

- Event coverage and interviews for different story types in Gwinnett County and the Greater-Atlanta area.
- Interviews with athletes and other figures in the Gwinnett County and Greater-Atlanta area, wrote stories corresponding with the interviews.
- On-site reporter for events around Gwinnett County and other areas like: GHSA Playoff Baseball, Spring and Summer Football, Atlanta Falcons Training Camp, UGA preseason camp, etc.

TopGolf, Bay Host

*July* 2021 – *August* 2023

Lawn Care and Maintenance, Self Employed

Apr 2016 - Sept 2020

## **Work Examples:**

- Mountain View cruises past Shiloh for opening road win
- Trio of Gwinnett grads in camp with Atlanta Falcons
- Well-rounded Norcross guard Michael Zhang earns his way to MIT
- Getting to Know Duluth swimming and diving coach Kailyn Dunn
- Austin Riley's Driving for Veterans golf tournament debuts at TPC Sugarloaf
- Offense the focus for Georgia Gwinnett College women's soccer in 2023
- Mill Creek baseball finishes strong with another Final Four run

#### **Activities:**

Owner of The Sports Branch, sports blog

- Written, edited, and published posts on website about various topics and events in sports.
- Managed social media accounts for the website on Instagram and Twitter

Theta Chi Fraternity Member January 2022 –

The National Society of Leadership and Success Fall 2022 - 2023

Relay For Life UGA Fall 2022 – 2023

#### **References:**

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Will Hammock – Sports Editor Gwinnett Daily Post, Regional Sports Director for Southern Community Newspapers, Inc. Lawrenceville, GA. 30046

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