

Wesley Branch

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Education:

Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication

John Huland Carmical [Sports Media Institute](#)

University of Georgia 2022- (Class of 2025)

Current Overall GPA: 3.6

University of Mary Washington, 2020-2021

- Dean's List, Fall 2020 - GPA 3.56
- Spring 2021 semester – GPA 3.3

Georgia Southern University, Fall 2021 semester

- President's List, Fall 2021- GPA 4.0

West Springfield High School, Class of 2020

- Dual Enrollment courses, Sports Leadership, 4 years of French

Experience:

[Gwinnett Daily Post](#) Sports, Internship

May 2023 –

- Prepared for event coverage and interview forms for different story types in different areas of Gwinnett County and the Greater-Atlanta area.
- Conducted interviews with athletes and other figures in the Gwinnett County and Greater-Atlanta areas in-person and over the phone and wrote stories corresponding with the interviews.
- Served as an on-site reporter for different events in around Gwinnett County and other areas of Georgia like: GHSA Playoff Baseball, Spring and Summer Football, Atlanta Falcons Training Camp, UGA preseason camp, etc.

University of Georgia Sports Communications, Undergraduate employee August 2023-

- Assisted with in-office duties for the Graduate Assistants and SID's assigned to the different varsity athletic teams at UGA.
 - Directly assigned to Football, Men's Basketball and Men's Tennis
- Helped with gameday tasks around the press box such as passing out stat sheets to media members, making sure the press box seating was organized, transcribing quotes from postgame interviews of opposing players, etc.
 - Helped provide 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 the correct areas for media availability, transcribed quotes of UGA athletes and coaches following their media availability, etc.

Flight Fit 'n Fun, Safety Monitor

May 2019 - Jan 2021

- Provided cleaning services and ensured adherence to safety rules.
- Facilitated activities such as dodgeball, basketball, and foam pit.

TopGolf, Bay Host

July 2021 – August 2023

- Provided service to guests while visiting the venue and their bay.
- Ensured that guests had the most enjoyable experience possible by serving their food, drinks, and assisting with other needs while in the bay.

Lawn Care and Maintenance, Self Employed

Apr 2016 - Sept 2020

- Provided lawn care for multiple neighbors, including mowing grass, bagging leaves, pruning shrubs, and edging sidewalks. Per request, remove small trees, shrubs and underbrush and plant flowers. Snow shoveling provided in winter.

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](#)

Volunteer Work:

2020 Recipient, Civics' Seal Diploma

Choctaw Mission Trip

Apr 2018 & Apr 2019

- Week-long mission outreach program to Choctaw Indian reservation involving youth and elder outreach as well as lawn and structural repairs.

Work Camp

July 2016 & July 2017

- Youth group-based trip; provided drywall repair and interior painting of a residential property impacted by flood waters in Charleston, WV and home repairs in Tioga County, NY

Activities:

Recreation Basketball Coach, Summer 2019 & Winter 2021

Mary Washington Club Basketball, 2020 – 2021

Phi Eta Sigma- Mary Washington Chapter

Student Government Leadership, 2019 - 2020

Sources of Strength (Inaugural Leadership team), 2018 - 2020

Sports Leadership 2019 - 2020

Men's Basketball, 2016 - 2017 & 2017 - 2018

FCA Member, 2016 – 2020

The National Society of Leadership and Success Fall 2022 -

Relay For Life UGA Fall 2022 -

- *Committee Member*

Theta Chi Fraternity Member January 2022 –

- *Rush Chair Summer 2022*
- *Assistant Marshal Fall 2022 – Spring 2023*

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*

References:

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

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Jay Janetto - Assistant General Manager, Flight Fit N' Fun

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Mattie Couples - Lawn Care Customer

Springfield, VA. 22152

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Karen Davis - Choctaw Mission Trip

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Liz Green - Neighbor

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