Benjamin Dickson

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Sophomore at the University of Maryland and holds a 3.797 cumulative GPA. Member of the Media, Self and Society program of College Park Scholars and is pursuing a Communication major with a track in Public Relations. I have always had a passion for sports and I look to match that with work experience that leads to a successful career.

EDUCATION

University of Maryland

College Park, MD

Class of 2023

- GPA: 3.797
- Major in Communication on the Public Relations Track
- Minor in *General Business*
- Academic Honors and Dean's List Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020
- Brother of Tau Epsilon Phi

Half Hollow Hills High School West - Graduation June 2019, Dix Hills, NY

National Honor Society

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Field Hockey Beat Writer, General Assignments | Testudo Times (SB Nation) | 09/2020-Current

- Covers Maryland Terrapins' field hockey matches in person and remotely
- Includes writing preview articles, postgame recaps during the game and press conferences with head coach and student-athletes
- Writes general stories for the website including daily "Maryland Minute" recaps on Chorus publishing platform

Podcast Host | WMUC Sports | 10/2020-Current

- Co-created and co-host a podcast with two other people that is uploaded to Apple Podcasts, Spotify and Soundcloud for weekly release
- Focuses and delivers news on Maryland athletics, college basketball and college football
- Creates in-depth outlines before every episode

Contributing Writer | Busting Brackets (FanSided Inc.) | 05/2020-Current

- Writes at least 1 article monthly for the college basketball publication.
- Performs in-depth research into topics to write clear and accurate articles through WordPress publishing.
- Develops and pursues stories independently and for assignment, covering a range of topics, including Big Ten men's basketball and recruiting.

Co-Creator/Co-Host of Colts' Corner Podcast | Hills West Media - Dix Hills, NY | 10/2016-06/2019

- Co-created a sports podcast in tenth grade that was recorded every Thursday throughout the school year.
- Delivered news and debate over high school, collegiate and professional sports to Soundcloud and Apple Podcasts.
- Live broadcasted select basketball and football home games.

Assistant Sports Editor | The Roundup - Dix Hills, NY | 09/2018-06/2019

- Handed out story assignments and helped direct content meetings to manage overall tone and execution of work
- Worked as a feature editor before accepting position; wrote various articles online and for print version over four years

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

General Counselor, Assistant Group Head | Camp Equinunk | Summer 2018-19, Summer 2021

- Cared for well-being of children ages 8-9 for seven weeks during the summer
- Looks to take on assistant group head title in Summer 2021

New Member Education Coordinator | Tau Epsilon Phi - University of Maryland | Spring 2021

 Did behind the scenes work to help smoothly facilitate new member education over Zoom during the COVID-19 pandemic

Peer AIDS Educator | Half Hollow Hills High School West | 09/2016-06/2019

• Learned the basics of HIV/AIDS prevention through the club and went to middle schools within the district to present as a group and educate young children about the risks of the diseases.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Skills: Deadline-oriented, news writing, public speaking, conducting interviews, Zoom, Nexis Uni, Microsoft Excel Interests & Passions: Media coverage of sports, writing, family, friends