BLAINE KELLAR

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Features/Sports/News Reporter in the Middle Tennessee area

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

JULY 2019-DECEMBER 2019

BROADCASTING AND JOURNALISM INTERN, SOCIAL DWEEBS

Coverage of the 2019 Springfield High School football team. I recorded interviews and previews for the company's social media platform, wrote stories and designed a website for its football coverage.

JANUARY 2020-DECEMBER 2021

SPORTS EDITOR, THE ALL STATE

Responsible for sharing stories of Austin Peay sports and athletes. I served as interim managing editor as a senior and earned second place at the Southeastern Journalism Conference's Best of the South Awards for Best Sports Writer in 2021.

MAY 2021-AUGUST 2021

NEWS CLERK, CLARKSVILLE NOW

Wrote and edited 370 articles over the course of a three-month internship. Primary focus was toward feature writing, investigative journalism and copy-editing obituaries and news releases.

NOVEMBER 2021-PRESENT

SPORTS REPORTER, MAIN STREET PREPS

Coverage of three Middle Tennessee counties through the span of two freelance and full-time positions. I started as sports reporter for The Robertson County Connection in November 2021 and was elevated to Sumner County Sports Editor in March 2023. On top of weekly coverage for the paper, I hosted a 30-minute sports show once a week and assisted in coverage of Austin Peay athletics with Main Street Clarksville.

EDUCATION

MAY 2022

BS IN COMMUNICATION MEDIA, AUSTIN PEAY STATE UNIVERSITY

4.0 GPA, Summa Cum Laude

AWARDS

THE ALL STATE

2020 – Best Sports Writer: Eighth place, Southeastern Journalism Conference 2021 – Best Sports Writer: Second place, Southeastern Journalism Conference

ROBERTSON COUNTY CONNECTION

2021 – Best Sports Coverage: Fourth place, Tennessee Press Association