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Detroit Free Press

THE OAKLAND PRESS

MIPREPZONE  
YOUR HOME FOR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

The State News

## Software skills

- InCopy
- InDesign
- Final Cut Pro
- Audacity audio software
- Windows Movie Maker
- Microsoft Office
- ScribbleLive

## Journalism skills

- Social media: @thesnews\_sports gained more than 1,000 followers while I was editor.
- AP style editing experience
- Have put together long-form stories on short notice.
- Analyzed website trends to know when to post stories for high traffic.

## School

### Michigan State University

College of Communication Arts and Sciences  
East Lansing, MI

- Graduating May 2014
- Bachelor of Arts: Journalism
  - Concentration in sports reporting
- Dean's List three out of seven semesters
- GPA: 3.3 (3.5 in major)

## Work Experience

### The State News (Fall 2012-Present)

#### -Men's basketball reporter (Current position)

-Write game stories on deadline, breaking news stories, live-tweet games and produce multiple features on games and coaches.

#### -Sports editor (Fall 2013)

-Daily duties include overseeing a six-person desk, manage the @thesnews\_sports account (6,000+ followers), copy editing and assisting with page layout, among other spontaneous jobs.

#### -Features editor (Spring 2013)

-Produced MSU and East Lansing-based story ideas and photo opportunities.

#### -Volleyball and field hockey beat writer (Fall 2012)

### Detroit Free Press (Late Summer 2013-Present)

#### -Live-blogger

-Engaged in play-by-play, answering questions and moderated comments from up to 750 viewers during Detroit Tigers games. (Including three playoff games)

### The Oakland Press (Summer 2013)

#### -Sports desk intern

-Wrote game stories and features during the MHSAA playoffs for MIPrepZone.com, The Oakland Press' sister site.  
-Wrote features on local athletes, teams and icons.

## Multimedia

#### -The State News

-Wrote, edited and shot videos and podcasts analyzing games before and after it happened.

#### -Michigan State University JRN306 class (TV and radio news)

-Worked in front of and behind the camera. Produced, shot and edited multiple radio and television news segments.

*\*All written and multimedia work can be found on MattSheehan.Weebly.com*

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