Lawrence Santa Maria

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EDUCATION

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

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Bachelor of Arts in Communications - Print Journalism Emphasis

Minor in Sociology

GPA: 3.2

SPORTS JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

The Daily Collegian, Penn State University Park (Articles available upon request) 2015

Spring 2014 – Spring

- Accepted to Curley Center School for Sports Journalism which offers enhanced sports writing classes
- Served as Women's Ice Hockey beat reporter; attended games in press row at Pegula Ice Arena and post-game press conferences
- Gamers- wrote game recaps under tight deadlines for next day publication and posted online within hours of the game's conclusion
- Wrote previews- experienced in writing game previews leading up to games using information and quotes collected from attending practices
- Features wrote feature stories on players and coaches; Human interest stories on the team on and off the ice
- Social Media avid user of all social media, specifically Twitter; announced key moments and goals during games; built up a following of fans enabling them to follow the games when not in attendance
- Other covered the women's basketball and track and field teams, and wrote a feature story on the Harlem Globetrotters when their tour made a stop in State College

Penn State Hazleton Newspaper

Fall 2012 - Spring 2013

- Co-founder of the first ever student run newspaper at Penn State Hazleton
- Wrote predictions for NFL games and Penn State football games
- Covered Hazleton sports teams such as basketball and volleyball writing features, gamers and previews
- Wrote a weekly profile on top student athletes at the Hazleton campus

LEADERSHIP ROLES

Wakefern Food Corporation, Carteret, NJ

2012 - 2014

Summer Supervisor Intern – supervised 100+ Union workers daily in warehouse, responsible for utilization
of handheld devices to keep the warehouse running smoothly; identified and resolved issues to control inventory

Division III Baseball, Penn State Hazleton

Fall 2012 - Spring

- 2013
 - Starting catcher on the team; assumed the role of pitching staff leader and calling the plays for the infield
 - Led voluntary offseason motivating workouts for other players in the gym and on the field

THON, Penn State Hazleton

2010 -

2011

 Actively involved in THON at Penn State, the largest student run philanthropy in the world raising money for pediatric cancer

Midnight Run, Bergen Catholic High School 2008 2007-

• Collaborated with team of students to run clothing drive and distributed to the homeless on the streets in New York City

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Played sports all my life including Baseball, Football, Basketball and Wrestling
- Avid runner, participated in the 2011 New York City ING Marathon completing the 26 mi in 4.07.

REFERENCES

- Don Russo Warehouse Manager at Wakefern Food Corporation. T: (732) 366-7805
- Charlie Sanko Head Baseball Coach, Penn State Hazleton. T: (570) 578-7066