

GRIFFIN DELLA PENNA

SPORTS BROADCASTER



SPORTS JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

ROCHESTER AMERICANS

BROADCASTER & MULTIMEDIA REPORTER (7/2026- PRESENT)

- New primary play-by-play voice of the Amerks for all radio and TV broadcasts. Assists in the creation, development, and distribution of engaging new content across the team's various digital and social media platforms.
- Responsible for writing feature stories and gameday previews among other PR tasks.
- Instrumental in the team's vast network of community outreach initiatives in Rochester.
- Previously served in a part-time role as a Rinkside Reporter for three seasons, orchestrating on-camera intermission hits, injury updates, interviews and coach reports for TV broadcasts.

BUFFALO SABRES

IN-ARENA HOST & FILL-IN REPORTER (9/2025- PRESENT)

- Hired to interact and engage with fans inside KeyBank Center, encouraging crowd participation and fostering a lively, positive atmosphere.
- Hosted Party in the Plaza watch parties throughout the Sabres playoff run at nearby Canalside and worked the 2026 NHL Draft in Buffalo as the on-site reporter, welcoming the top prospects to the red carpet.
- Fill-in talent for any Sabres coverage on MSG Networks like "Sabres Live" and intermission shows.

COASTAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

DIRECTOR OF CREATIVE CONTENT & REPORTER (3/2025- 7/2026)

- Hired to be the on-camera host for the conference, producing new and engaging digital content that builds the CAA Brand for its student-athletes and 13 member institutions.
- On-site reporter at sport championships also appearing on FloSports/CBS Sports broadcasts.
- One-man band responsible for the implementation of original content series that highlight athletes, coaches, and alumni across the league via social media.

CANISIUS UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

MULTIMEDIA REPORTER, PxP, HOST (8/2019-PRESENT)

- Appeared in 106 broadcasts during senior year and over 200 lifetime at Canisius. Hired as "face" of their 20 Division 1 programs, enhancing coverage through original branded content to reach a wider audience for 2022-23 academic year.
- PxP Broadcaster for Men's & Women's Soccer, Volleyball, Hockey, Baseball and Softball on ESPN+. Studio Host & Sideline Reporter for Men's & Women's Basketball.
- Returned for Men's Basketball Radio Broadcasts in 2024-25 and took over TV PxP duties in 2025-26 for Men's and Women's Basketball.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

PxP BROADCASTER & STUDIO HOST (8/2023-6/2024)

- Appeared in over 30 ACC Network Extra broadcasts during the academic year in various roles. Primary PxP commentator for Cuse Volleyball and Softball. Called games for other sports like Basketball, Women's Hockey, and Lacrosse.
- Primary Syracuse Men's & Women's Basketball and Men's & Women's Lacrosse Studio Host on ACC Network/Cuse.com for pre, halftime, and postgame coverage.

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EDUCATION

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

(07/2023-08/2024)

Master of Science: Broadcast and Digital Journalism

- Sports Media Track (3.85/4.0 GPA)

- Paid Instructional Assistant (Undergraduates)

CANISIUS UNIVERSITY

(08/2019-05/2023)

Bachelor of Science: Journalism

- Concentration: Sports Broadcasting

Double Major: Strategic Communication

- Minor: Leadership (3.85/4.0 GPA)

PEGULA SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT

MEDIA & CONTENT INTERN (9/2021-7/2022)

- Worked closely with the Buffalo Sabres (NHL), Bills (NFL), and Bandits (NLL).
- Lead reporter for Bandits coverage on team website and featured writer on Sabres.com focusing on the organization's prospects.
- Captured gameday footage for social media platforms, organized videos in Adobe Premiere, and assisted shoots for YouTube video series like "Embedded."
- On-site producer for "Sabres Live" talk show on MSG & WGR 550 with Brian Duff and Marty Biron.