# Drew Butler

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#### PROFILE

Passionate sports reporter with over seven years of experience developing data-based news on US professional sports teams, specifically the NFL. Well-versed in the league's history, top players, and expected business dealings. Has more Twitter and Facebook followers than any other sports reporter in the Greater Chicago area.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Senior Sports Reporter - NFL

Chicago Tribune, Chicago, IL | June 2019 - Present

- Interview pertinent sources associated with assigned sporting events, researching and gathering facts to write a story
- Write, edit, and produce sports-related content for multiple platforms, including web and social media
- Serve as Chicago Tribune liaison to NFL
- Communicate with professionalism and confidence when speaking with pro athletes and other celebrities
- Write and edit sports articles on strict turnaround deadlines following late night sporting events

#### Sports Reporter

Miami Herald, Miami, FL | July 2014 - May 2019

- Conceptualized a new sports column idea that earned 30% more views on average than other articles
- Developed news and photojournalism stories regarding the NFL, NBA, NHL, MLS, and US Olympic team
- Applied data analysis, sports history, and critical thinking skills to provide readers with unique and thoughtful perspectives regarding their favorite teams
- Focused on Miami and Florida pro sports teams and the occasional high school finals
- Wrote weekly sports content for several teams, including previews, breaking news, recap, features, and opinion pieces

#### **EDUCATION**

## Bachelor of Arts in Sports Journalism

Pennsylvania State University State College, PA August 2010 – May 2014

#### **KEY SKILLS**

- In-depth knowledge of NFL, MLB, and MLS
- Interviewing athletes
- Multimedia production
- Professionalism
- Proofreading
- Sports business