

# Amani Jenea Rivers

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## EDUCATION

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### Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA

Degree: B.A. in Journalism, minor in Public Relations

GPA: 3.3/4.0

Graduation Date: May 2026

### COLLEGIATE AWARDS

- African American Alumni Association Scholar
- Peg Dolan, R.S.H.M. Award
- College Media Association Pinnacle Award for Best Sports Columnist (3rd Place)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### LMU Marketing, Communications, and External Relations, Los Angeles, CA

#### External Relations Assistant

August 2024 - Present

- Drafts press releases, social media captions, and other written materials to convey essential information to the community surrounding Loyola Marymount University
- Assists with planning and organizing events in collaboration with businesses, companies, and universities around Southern California

### Apple News, New York, NY

#### Sports Editorial Intern

May 2024 - August 2024

- Selected top sports stories from across the world, with an emphasis on quality, accuracy, and engagement
- Wrote sharp and engaging copy with the Apple News Sports audience in mind
- Crafted copy for and sent article notifications that reached millions of recipients
- Compiled, organized, analyzed, and presented months worth of Apple News data in keynote presentations
- Drafted questions for podcast interviews and created audio scripts for Apple News Today

### Los Angeles Loyolan, Los Angeles, CA

#### Sports Editor

Feb 2024 - Present

- Lead a team of 6 in pitching, creating and producing written and visual content
- Demonstrate leadership and organizational skills in meetings with the advisors and the Editor-in-Chief
- Designate and curate sports social media posts for Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter audiences
- Hosts and co-produces the satirical, informative Sports web series "Amani vs. Athlete"

#### Assistant Sports Editor

Feb 2023 - Feb 2024

- Publishes informative, award-winning pieces on important topics within the surrounding community
- Presents leadership and teamwork efforts in supporting interns in learning and mastering usage of Blox CMS and Camayak
  - The Loyolan utilizes Camayak as a tool that allows writers to input drafts of articles to go through several rounds of copy edits.
  - Blox CMS is then used to curate photos and articles in a deliberate fashion that translates directly to the website.

Previous roles: *Sports Intern (Oct 2022 - Feb 2023)*

### LMU Student Worker Program, Los Angeles, CA

#### Student Worker Program General

May 2023 - May 2024

- Oversaw and trained 24 students and ensure team accountability for meeting program requirements
- Collaborated with 6+ university departments to execute large university events with thousands in attendance
- Facilitated all program events, leadership meetings, and staff meetings
- Created and developed comprehensive year-long schedules to guarantee success of program, using Google Sheets and Microsoft Office Suite

Previous roles: *Facilities Management Team Member (Aug 2022 - May 2023)*