

Jessica Wheeler

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Work Experience:

- **WLAJ-TV**
Lansing, MI
March 2008- present
-Main Anchor
Duties: Solo anchor 3 shows daily, supervise reporters, oversee shows- as news director is based at sister station in Kalamazoo, act as assignment editor, write scripts, field report, shoot and edit when needed, hire and mentor interns, fill in weather anchor at sister station in Kalamazoo.
- **WHOI-TV**
Peoria, IL
October 2005- March 2008
-Weekend co-anchor and weather anchor, weekday reporter.
-Promoted from weekday reporter after 5 months
Duties: Enterprise local stories, perform live shots, write scripts, create weather graphics, anchor 4 weekend shows.
- **KIDK-TV**
Idaho Falls, ID
October 2003-October 2005
-Morning and noon show co-anchor and weather anchor.
- Promoted from weekend newscast producer and weather anchor/
weekday reporter after 6 months
Duties: Anchor and co-produce shows, write stories, forecast weather, create graphics, conduct interviews, perform live shots, enterprise local stories.
- **WGN-TV**
Chicago, IL
September 2002-October 2003
-Field producer, assignment desk assistant, fill-in traffic producer.
-Promoted from intern after 8 weeks
- **WTVO-TV**
Rockford, IL
June 2002-September 2002
-News Intern
- **WMAQ-TV**
Chicago, IL
February 2002-June 2002
-Investigative Intern

Awards:

Illinois Associated Press Award- 2nd place Best Series, 2006
Illinois Broadcasters Association- 2nd place Best Community Service Activity, 2006
Illinois Associated Press Award- 2nd place Best Investigative Series, 2007

Education:

- Columbia College Chicago
- -B.A. in Broadcast Journalism, January 2003

Proficient In:

- ENPS; AP; AvStar; linear and non-linear editing including Avid NewsCutter; shooting on Beta and Sony Mini-DV; AccuWeather; Weather Central, Q Series.