Scholarships for Journalism Majors

Bryan Leigh Armstrong Memorial Scholarship

One award to a junior or senior journalism sequence major interested in a career as a writer or editor. Award based on involvement in WKU activities, leadership in student publications, demonstration of aptitude and financial need.

Carroll F. Knicely Journalism Scholarship

One award to a senior journalism sequence major exhibiting outstanding promise and interest in a career in news.

Frank Sutherland SPJ Journalism Scholarship

One award to a sophomore, junior or senior who is a member of the Society of Professional Journalists. Awarded based on demonstrated professional aptitude, participation in journalism activities, scholarship, character and need.

Louis Spilman Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship, honoring former newspaper publisher Louis Spilman, is awarded to one sophomore, junior or senior journalism sequence major.

Ron Jerrell and Belinda Mason Scholarship

This scholarship is named for the first executive director and the founder of the Kentuckiana People with AIDS Coalition. The award is for one senior journalism sequence major with preference given to someone whose life has been affected in some way by the HIV virus.

Thomas R. Curran Journalism Scholarship

Three awards to junior or senior journalism sequence majors exhibiting outstanding promise in print journalism including news reporting, editing and visual presentation/design.

Virginia Wood Davis Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded annually to up to one sophomore, one junior and one senior journalism sequence major with at least a 3.5 overall GPA. Students must demonstrate need and show outstanding potential for a career in journalism.

W.T. and Ella Morris Davis Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to journalism sequence majors interested in community news journalism who demonstrate potential for academic success and possess the personal qualities of character, integrity, concern for others and for citizenship. Preference is given to students from Lyon, Hopkins or Caldwell counties in Kentucky.

JOURNALISM SEQUENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DEADLINE: Monday, APRIL 17, 2017

Please complete this application <u>in full</u> to be considered for the scholarships administered by the Journalism sequence. See a full description of scholarships for more information on each. For an electronic copy of this application, email <u>mac.mckerral@wku.edu</u> or <u>amanda.crawford@wku.edu</u>

Only students <u>currently enrolled as Journalism Majors (or News-Editorial Majors)</u>, as per <u>TopNet</u>, are <u>eligible</u> for these scholarships. (Please note award amounts are approximates.):

- Bryan Leigh Armstrong Memorial Scholarship \$250
- Carroll F. Knicely Journalism Scholarship \$1,000
- Louis Spilman Memorial Scholarship \$500
- Ron Jerrell and Belinda Mason Scholarship \$700
- Thomas R. Curran Journalism Scholarship \$3,000
- Virginia Wood Davis Scholarship \$1,000 to \$3,000
- W.T. and Ella Morris Davis Scholarship \$600 to \$1,800

Students from any major in the School of Journalism & Broadcasting are eligible for the following scholarship, but the recipient <u>must be a member in good standing of the Society of Professional Journalists</u>, and membership will be verified with SPJ national <u>headquarters</u>:

Frank Sutherland SPJ Journalism Scholarship - \$800

| Student Name: | WKU ID#: |
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| WKU Email: | Applicant's Phone: |
| Local address: | |
| Home address (including county): | |
| Major: | Sequence: |
| GPA: | GPA in major: |
| Number of semester hours completed at end of current semester: | |
| Anticipated WKU graduation date: | |

| Are you a current member of the Society of Professional Journalists? | |
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| List your journalism-related activities (include media jobs, internships, work at student publications, freelancing, etc.): | |
| List other WKU and community and/or volunteer activities: | |
| Statement of professional goals: In 250 words or less, please describe your professional goals. (Note that some scholarships require a focus in specific areas. See scholarship descriptions for more details.) | |
| Statement of financial need: To be considered for a need-based scholarship, please write 250 words or less that addresses your financial need. Include your FAFSA Expected Family Contribution amount, if available. (Complete this section only for need-based scholarships. See scholarship descriptions for need-based requirements). | |
| Statement for consideration for the Ron Jerrell and Belinda Mason Scholarship: In 250 words or less, please describe how your life has been affected by HIV and anything that would demonstrate your ability to communicate effectively and raise public awareness about HIV. | |