



## MPA Foundation 2019 Annual Journalism Scholarship Application

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Application and support material must be submitted electronically on or before  
**Monday, Nov. 18, 2019 at 5 P.M.**

**To qualify, the student must:**

- Be a Michigan resident or eligible for in-state tuition.
- Be a current, full-time junior or senior, graduating no earlier than May, 2020.
- Have substantial experience as a collegiate or community news media staffer as shown by a portfolio submitted with the nomination materials.
- Be currently enrolled in at least one journalism course or provide a transcript (official OR unofficial) showing previous enrollment in journalism courses.
- Demonstrate an interest in and potential for pursuing a career in community journalism through work as a reporter, editor, digital and/or photojournalist at a Michigan media outlet, including campus publications.
- If the Foundation is to consider financial need (not an overriding scholarship criterion), the application should include a financial aid award document.

**The application must include:**

- The completed application page.
- A current resume.
- A transcript (official or unofficial; former preferred.)
- 4 samples of the applicant's journalistic work.
- A 500 word essay that:
  1. Explains how the applicant views his/her future in community journalism.
  2. Details previous and current experience in community journalism/campus media.
  3. Explains why the applicant is deserving of the scholarship as evidenced by their work in journalism.
- Three letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a journalism faculty member and/or publication adviser. All letters must include the sender's contact information. Do not submit letters from current students or family members (Suggested: teachers, advisors, newspapers/internships.)
- A current, professional looking head and shoulders color photo to be used in the announcement brochure and other promotional materials (300dpi resolution).

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## MPA Foundation Community Journalism Scholarship Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior    Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senior

Journalism GPA (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Overall GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Campus Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Advisor/Journalism Instructor/Department Chair

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Application checklist. Submit all materials together:

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|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed application          | <input type="checkbox"/> 500 word essay              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resume                         | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 letters of recommendation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transcript                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional headshot       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 samples of journalistic work |                                                      |



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