

# **How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields 2011-2013**

**Fourth Edition**

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A List of: Scholarships, Fellowships, Grants, Awards, and Other Funding Programs Set Aside to Support Study, Training, Research, and Creative Activities for Students Working on an Undergraduate or Graduate Degree in Journalism, Communications, or a Related Field. Plus a Set of Six Indexes: Sponsor, Residency, Tenability, Specialty, Diversity, and Deadline.

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# Introduction

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## WHY IS THIS DIRECTORY NEEDED?

Are you planning to get an undergraduate or graduate degree in journalism, communications, or a related field? Congratulations. You have made a wise decision. Not only have you picked a career that is exciting and dynamic, but one that is cutting-edge as well. Job opportunities in print journalism are projected to be stable for the next couple of years, and increases may be forthcoming in the future in broadcasting, public relations, advertising, and online.

Getting your degree in journalism, communications, or related fields, however, is expensive. It can cost \$100,000 or more just to complete a bachelor's degree, and that amount or more for a master's and doctoral degree. That's more than most students can afford to pay on their own.

Fortunately, hundreds of financial aid programs, representing millions of dollars, are available to help undergraduate and graduate students prepare for a career in journalism or a related field. How can students find out about this funding? In the past, general financial aid directories haven't offered much assistance. *Scholarships, Fellowships, and Loans* (published by Gale Cengage Learning) and *Chronicle Financial Aid Guide* (published by Chronicle Guidance) are representative; each just scratches the surface, identifying only a few dozen of the hundreds of available funding opportunities. Similarly, the handful of resources that have focused specifically on financial aid for students in journalism and communications are either out of date or limited in coverage. For example, neither *Dollars for College: The Quick Guide to Financial Aid for Journalism & Mass Communications* nor *Financial Aid for Minorities in Journalism and Mass Communications* (both previously published by Ferguson) have been updated in the past decade. And the web sites that list journalism-related scholarships (for example, [www.aie.org](http://www.aie.org)) identify just a fraction of current financial aid opportunities.

That's why this updated edition of *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* is so important. Here, in just one place, you'll be able to find detailed information on nearly 750 scholarships, fellowships, awards, grants, and other funding opportunities available to support undergraduate and graduate study and research in advertising, agricultural communications, broadcast journalism, broadcasting, business reporting, graphic design and layout, journalism, photojournalism, public relations, science reporting, sports reporting, etc. Only the biggest and the best opportunities are listed here, ranging from \$500 to full tuition and more. Even better, not one of these programs requires you to pay back any money (provided, of course, program requirements are met).

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?

*How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* is unlike any other financial aid listing. Not only does it provide, by far, the most comprehensive coverage of communications-related funding opportunities (749 entries), but it also offers the most informative program descriptions (on the average, twice the detail found in any other source).

In addition, only funding set aside for high school seniors, high school graduates, current college students, returning college students, and graduate students working on a degree in journalism, communications, or a related field is included. If a program doesn't support study, training, research, or creative activities specifically for these students, it is not covered here.

Third, only the biggest and best funding programs are included in this book. To be listed here, a program has to offer journalism students at least \$500 per year. Many go way beyond that, paying \$15,000

or more each year, or covering the full cost of college attendance. And, keep in mind that this is "free" money; not one dollar awarded to you will have to be repaid!

Fourth, you can take the money awarded to any number of schools. Unlike other financial aid directories, which often list financial aid opportunities available only to students enrolled at one specific school, all of the entries in this book are "portable" (although some portability may be restricted by other program parameters). Another plus: many of the programs listed here have never been covered in other financial aid listings. So, even if you have checked elsewhere, you will want to look at *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* for additional leads.

Fifth, unlike other funding directories, which tend to follow a straight alphabetical arrangement, this one divides entries by educational level (undergraduates and graduate students), to help you target your search for ways to pay for your degree in journalism, communications, or related fields. The same convenience is offered in the indexes, where sponsoring organization, geographic focus, subject, diversity, and deadline date entries specifically identify opportunities for either undergraduate or graduate students.

Further, we have tried to anticipate all the ways you might wish to search for funding; we organized the volume so you can identify programs not only by recipient group, but by program title, sponsor, journalism and communications specialty, where you live, where you want to go to school or conduct research, and when you plan to apply for funding. Plus, we've included all the information you'll need to decide if a program is right for you: purpose, eligibility requirements, financial data, duration, special features, limitations, number awarded, and application date. You even get fax numbers, toll-free numbers, e-mail addresses, and web sites (when available) along with complete contact information, to make your requests for applications proceed smoothly.

Finally, we've included all types of "free money" in our listing:

- *Scholarships.* Programs that support study and training at the undergraduate level in the United States. This is "free" money. No repayment is necessary, provided all program requirements are met.
- *Fellowships.* Programs that support study and training at the graduate level in the United States. This, too, is "free" money; usually no return of service or repayment is required.
- *Grants.* Programs that provide funding to support innovative efforts, projects, creative activities, or research at any level (from associate degree through doctoral) in the United States. Usually no return of service or repayment is required.
- *Awards.* Competitions, prizes, and honoraria granted in recognition of personal accomplishments, research results, creative writing, or other achievements. Prizes received solely as the result of entering contests are excluded.

## WHAT'S EXCLUDED?

The focus of *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* is on portable programs aimed specifically at high school seniors, high school graduates, current college students, returning college students, and beginning or continuing graduate students interested in working on a degree in fields related to journalism or communications at any school in the United States. While the directory is intended to be the most current and comprehensive source of information on available funding, there are some programs we've specifically excluded from the listing:

- *Programs not focused on journalism or related fields:* Only funding opportunities set aside specifically for fields related to journalism or communications are described here. If you are looking for money to support study, training, research, or creative activities in other, or broader, subject areas, check out the list of Reference Service Press's award-winning directories on the inside of the front cover. You can also look for general or other financial aid directories at your library or bookstore.

## SAMPLE ENTRY

- (1) **[50]**
- (2) **CALL TO SERVICE COLLEGIATE COMPETITION**
- (3) National Association of Broadcasters  
Attn: Education Foundation  
1771 N Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20036-2891  
(202) 429-5424 Fax: (202) 429-4199  
E-mail: rsultana@nab.org  
Web: www.nabef.org/initiatives/CallToService.asp
- (4) **Summary** To recognize and reward, with scholarships for additional study, communications students who develop outstanding community service projects in partnership with a local charity.
- (5) **Eligibility** This competition is open to students enrolled at colleges and universities who have a major or minor in communications and at least 1 semester remaining before graduation. Applicants must submit a proposal describing a service project and execution plan that they have developed in partnership with a charity being served. They may work in pairs or in teams of up to 10 students. Along with their application, they must submit a description of the proposed service project and how it will serve their community, the charity with which they have chosen to work and why, the steps they have to take to complete the project in 45 days, a local television or radio station with which they might wish to partner, and what they hope to accomplish with their service project. Selection is based on creativity, community involvement, and use of technology and journalism to complete the project.
- (6) **Financial data** Awards are a \$10,000 scholarship for first place, \$5,000 scholarship for second, and \$2,000 scholarship for third. Funds are paid directly to the winners' institutions. Awards are divided among participants according to instructions given by a faculty sponsor. The charities with which the winning students participate receive donations of matching amounts.
- (7) **Duration** The competition is held annually.
- (8) **Additional information** This competition, first held in 2010, is sponsored by the McCormick Foundation. Participants continue to develop their journalism skills by contributing video blogs, articles, and news updates that chronicle their experience on the sponsor's web site throughout the project.
- (9) **Number awarded** 3 winners are selected each year.
- (10) **Deadline** February of each year.

## DEFINITION

- (1) **Entry number:** Consecutive number assigned to the references and used to index the entry.
- (2) **Program title:** Title of scholarship, fellowship, grant, or award.
- (3) **Sponsoring organization:** Name, address, and telephone number, toll-free number, fax number, e-mail address, and/or web site (when information was supplied) for organization sponsoring the program.
- (4) **Summary:** Basic program requirements; read the rest of the entry for additional detail.
- (5) **Eligibility:** Qualifications required of applicants and factors considered in the selection process.
- (6) **Financial data:** Financial details of the program, including fixed sum, average amount, or range of funds offered, expenses for which funds may and may not be applied, and cash-related benefits supplied (e.g., room and board).
- (7) **Duration:** Period for which support is provided; renewal prospects.
- (8) **Additional information:** Any benefits, features, restrictions, or limitations (generally nonmonetary) associated with the program.
- (9) **Number awarded:** Total number of recipients each year or other specified period.
- (10) **Deadline:** The month by which applications must be submitted.

- *Programs that do not accept applications from U.S. citizens or residents:* If a program is open only to foreign nationals or excludes Americans from applying, it is not covered here.
- *Programs that do not award funds specifically to help students pay for their degree:* While financial aid programs available to students working on a journalism-related degree are covered comprehensively in this directory, work-related opportunities (e.g., cooperative education, internships) are excluded—unless as part of their compensation students receive scholarships or other college funding. To find out about paid and unpaid work experience programs, use Peterson's general *Internships* directory or the journalism-specific internship listings posted on various web sites, including those hosted by JournalismJobs.com.
- *School-based programs:* This directory identifies portable programs—ones that can be used at any number of schools. Financial aid administered by individual schools solely for the benefit of their incoming or continuing students is not covered. Write directly to the schools you are considering to get information on their offerings.
- *Money for study outside the United States:* Since there are comprehensive and up-to-date directories that describe all available funding for study and research abroad (see *Financial Aid for Research and Creative Activities Abroad* and *Financial Aid for Study and Training Abroad*, both published by Reference Service Press), only programs that support study or research in the United States are covered here.
- *Money that must be repaid:* Only "free money" is identified here. If a program requires repayment or charges interest, it's not listed. Now you can find out about millions of dollars in aid and know that none of this money will ever have to be repaid!
- *Very restrictive programs:* In general, programs are excluded if they are open only to a limited geographic area (less than a state), are available to a very limited membership group (e.g., a local union or a tightly targeted organization), or offer very limited financial support (under \$500).
- *Programs that did not respond to our research requests:* Programs are included in *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism* only if the sponsors posted current information on the Internet or responded to our research requests for up-to-date information (see below for details).

## WHAT'S UPDATED?

The preparation of each new edition of *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* involves extensive updating and revision. To make sure that the information included here is both reliable and current, the editors at Reference Service Press 1) reviewed and updated all relevant programs currently in our funding database and 2) searched exhaustively for new program leads in a variety of sources, including directories, news reports, newsletters, annual reports, and sites on the Internet. We only include program descriptions that are written directly from information supplied by the sponsoring organization in print or on the Internet (no information is ever taken from secondary sources). When that information could not be found, we sent up to four collection letters (followed by up to three telephone inquiries, if necessary) to those sponsors. Despite our best efforts, however, some sponsoring organizations still failed to respond and, as a result, their programs are not included in this edition of the directory.

The 2011-2013 edition of *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* completely revises and updates the previous (third) edition. Programs that have ceased operation have been dropped. Similarly, programs that have broadened their scope and no longer focus on journalism-related fields have also been removed from the listing. Profiles of continuing programs have been rewritten to reflect current requirements; more than 75 percent of the continuing programs reported substantive



changes in their locations, deadlines, or benefits since 2008. In addition, more than 325 new entries have been added. The result is a listing of nearly 750 scholarships, fellowships, grants, awards, and other funding opportunities available specifically to students working on a journalism-related degree.

## HOW THE DIRECTORY IS ORGANIZED

*How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* is divided into two sections: 1) a detailed list of funding opportunities open to students working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in such fields as journalism, communications, broadcasting, graphic design and layout, photojournalism, public relations, and advertising; and 2) a set of indexes to help you pinpoint available funding programs.

**Funding for Students Working on a Degree in Journalism & Related Fields.** The first section of the directory describes 749 scholarships, fellowships, grants, and awards for students working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in journalism, communications, or other related fields. The programs listed are sponsored by hundreds of different federal and state government agencies, professional organizations, foundations, educational associations, and military/veterans organizations. The focus is on programs tenable in the United States that are open to students who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

To help you focus your search, the entries in this section are grouped into two main categories:

- **Undergraduates.** Described here are 525 scholarships, grants, awards, and other funding opportunities that support undergraduate study, training, research, or creative activities in journalism or related fields. These programs are open to high school seniors, high school graduates, currently-enrolled college students, and students returning to college after an absence. Money is available to support these students in any type of postsecondary institution, ranging from technical schools and community colleges to major universities.
- **Graduate Students.** Described here are 224 fellowships, grants, awards, and other funding opportunities that support post-baccalaureate study, training, research, and creative activities in journalism and related fields. Funding is available for all graduate-level degrees: master's, doctoral, and professional.

Entries in each of the subsections appear alphabetically by program title. Each program entry has been designed to provide a concise profile that, as the sample on page 7 illustrates, includes information (when available) on organization address and telephone numbers (including fax and toll-free numbers), e-mail address and web site, purpose, eligibility, money awarded, duration, special features, limitations, number of awards, and application deadline.

The information provided for each of the programs covered in this section was supplied by sponsoring organizations in response to questionnaires we sent through the end of 2010. While *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* is intended to cover available funding as comprehensively as possible, some sponsoring organizations did not respond to our research inquiries and, consequently, are not included in this edition of the directory.

**Indexes.** To help you find the aid you need, we have constructed six indexes; these will let you access the listings by sponsoring organization, residency, tenability, specialty, diversity, and deadline date. These indexes use a word-by-word alphabetical arrangement. Note: numbers in the index refer to entry numbers, not to page numbers in the book.

*Sponsoring Organization Index.* This index makes it easy to identify agencies that offer funding to students working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in a field related to journalism or communications. Approximately 500 sponsoring organizations are listed alphabetically, word by word. In addition, we've used a code to help you identify the focus of the funding programs sponsored by these organizations: U = Undergraduates; G = Graduate Students.

*Residency Index.* Some programs listed in this book are restricted to residents of a particular state or region. Others are open to students wherever they live. This index helps you identify programs available only to residents in your area as well as programs that have no residency restrictions.

*Tenability Index.* Some programs in this book can be used only in specific cities, counties, states, or regions. Others may be used anywhere in the United States (or even abroad). Use this index to find out what programs are available to support your studies in a particular geographic area.

*Specialty Index.* Refer to this index when you want to identify funding opportunities for undergraduate or graduate students working on a degree in a specific field related to journalism or communications, including advertising, agricultural communications, broadcast journalism, broadcasting, business reporting, graphic design and layout, online journalism, photojournalism, public relations, science reporting, sports reporting, etc.

*Diversity Index.* Most of the funding available to students working on a journalism or related degree is not restricted to any specific ethnicity, physical condition, gender, or sexual orientation. But, because diversity is an important goal for the field, some funding opportunities have been established specifically to encourage ethnic minorities, persons with disabilities, women, and GLBT students to enter the profession. To identify those programs, turn to the Diversity Index, which is arranged by degree level (undergraduate and graduate students) and then by the applicant characteristics that can contribute to a more diverse profession: ethnicity, disability status, gender, and sexual orientation. Keep in the mind that only programs that focus specifically on journalism and related fields are listed in this directory and, therefore, indexed here. If you are interested in identifying more general aid available to these groups, there are several other resources available to help you with that: 1) for minorities, see the four-volume *Minority Funding Set* published by Reference Service Press, which lists thousands of programs available to African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans; 2) for persons with disabilities, look at *Financial Aid for the Disabled and Their Families*, also published by Reference Service Press, which identifies more than 1,200 opportunities representing billions of dollars in aid; 3) for women, check out the more than 1,400 funding programs described in Reference Service Press's *Directory of Financial Aid for Women*; and 4) for GLBT students: go to the *LGBT Scholarship Directory*, which is available as a free download at [www.lgbtsa.org](http://www.lgbtsa.org).

*Calendar Index.* Since most financial aid programs have specific deadline dates, some may have closed by the time you begin to look for funding. You can use the Calendar Index to identify which programs are still open. This index is arranged by student group (undergraduates and graduate students) and divided by month during which the deadline falls. Filing dates can and quite often do vary from year to year; consequently, the dates in this index should be viewed as only approximations after mid-2013.

## HOW TO USE THE DIRECTORY

Here are some tips to help you get the most out of the financial aid listings in *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields*:

**To Locate Funding by Educational Level.** If you want to get an overall picture of the sources of "free money" that are available to support either undergraduates or graduate students in journalism and related fields, turn to the appropriate category in the first section of the guide and browse through the listings there. Originally, we also intended to subdivide these two chapters by purpose (study and training versus research and creative activities). Once the compilation was complete, however, it became clear that many of the programs provided funding for both functions. Thus, further subdivision (beyond educational level) would have been unnecessarily repetitious.

**To Find Information on a Particular Financial Aid Program.** If you know both the name of a particular financial aid program and the level of educational assistance offered by the program (undergraduate or graduate), then go directly to the appropriate category in the first section of the directory, where you'll find program profiles arranged alphabetically by title.

**To Browse Quickly Through the Listings.** Look at the listings in the educational section that relates to you (undergraduates or graduate students) and read the "Summary" field in each entry. In seconds, you'll know if this is an opportunity that might apply to you. If it is, read the rest of the information in the entry to make sure you meet all of the program requirements before writing or going online for an application form. Remember: don't apply if you don't qualify!

**To Locate Financial Aid Programs Sponsored by a Particular Organization.** The Sponsoring Organization Index makes it easy to determine which groups are providing funding to undergraduate and graduate students working on a degree in a field related to journalism or communications (nearly 500 are listed here) and to identify specific financial aid programs offered by a particular sponsor. Each entry number in the index is coded to indicate educational level, to help you target appropriate entries.

**To Locate Financial Aid Based on Residency or Where You Want to Study.** Use the Residency Index to identify funding that has been set aside for applicants from your area. If you are looking for funding to support studies in a particular city, county, state, or region, turn to the Tenability Index. Both of these indexes are subdivided by educational level (undergraduates and graduate students), to help you identify various ways to pay for your degree in journalism or related fields. When using these indexes, always check the listings under the term "United States," since the programs indexed there have no geographic restrictions and can be used in any area.

**To Locate Financial Aid for Study or Research in a Specific Field Related to Journalism or Communications.** Turn to the Specialty Index first if you are interested in identifying available funding in a specific area of communications or journalism, including advertising, agricultural communications, broadcasting, business reporting, graphic design and layout, online journalism, photojournalism, public relations, science reporting, sports reporting, etc. Each index entry indicates the specific funding available to either undergraduates or to graduate students.

**To Locate Funding Programs Designed to Encourage Diversity in Journalism or Related Fields.** If you want to know which funding opportunities in this directory are aimed specifically at minorities, persons with disabilities, women, or GLBT students, turn to the Diversity Index. There, you'll find access to appropriate programs by both degree level and diversity characteristics.

**To Locate Financial Aid by Deadline Date.** If you are working with specific time constraints and want to weed out financial aid programs whose filing dates you won't be able to meet, turn first to the Calendar Index and check the program references listed under the appropriate group (undergraduates and graduate students) and month. Note: not all sponsoring organizations supplied deadline information; those programs are listed under the "Deadline not specified" entry in the index. To identify every relevant financial aid program, regardless of filing dates, read through all the entries in the chapter that matches your degree level (undergraduates or graduate students)

## PLANS TO UPDATE THE DIRECTORY

This is the fourth edition of *How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields*. The next edition will cover the years 2013-2015 and will be released in the first quarter of 2013.

## OTHER RELATED PUBLICATIONS

*How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields* is one of a dozen financial aid titles dealing with specific subject areas, including *How to Pay for Your Degree in Business & Related Fields*, *How to Pay for Your Degree in Education & Related Fields*, and *Money for Graduate Students in the Arts and Humanities*. For more information on these and other award-winning financial aid directories, you can 1) write to Reference Service Press's marketing department at 5000 Windplay Drive, Suite 4, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762; 2) call us at (916) 939-9620; 3) fax us at (916) 939-9626; 4) send us an e-mail at [info@rspfunding.com](mailto:info@rspfunding.com); or 5) visit our web site: [www.rspfunding.com](http://www.rspfunding.com).

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## ABOUT THE AUTHORS

**Dr. Gail Ann Schlachter** has worked for more than three decades as a library administrator, a library educator, and an administrator of library-related publishing companies. Among the reference books to her credit are the biennially-issued *College Student's Guide to Merit and Other No-Need Funding* (named by *Choice* as one of the outstanding reference titles of the year) and two award-winning bibliographic guides: *Minorities and Women: A Guide to Reference Literature in the Social Sciences* (which also was chosen as an "Outstanding Reference Book of the Year" by *Choice*) and *Reference Sources in Library and Information Services* (which won the first Knowledge Industry Publications "Award for Library Literature"). She was the reference book review editor for *RQ* (now *Reference and User Services Quarterly*) for 10 years, is a past president of the American Library Association's Reference and User Services Association, is the former editor of the *Reference and User Services Association Quarterly*, and recently was elected to her fifth term on the American Library Association's governing council. In recognition of her outstanding contributions to reference service, Dr. Schlachter has been named the University of Wisconsin School of Library and Information Studies' "Distinguished Alumna of the Year" and awarded both the prestigious Isadore Gilbert Mudge Citation and the Louis Shores/Oryx Press Award.

**Dr. R. David Weber** taught history and economics at Los Angeles Harbor College (in Wilmington, California) for many years and continues to teach history as an emeritus professor. During his years of full-time teaching there, and at East Los Angeles College, he directed the Honors Program and was frequently chosen the "Teacher of the Year." He is the author of a number of critically-acclaimed reference works, including *Dissertations in Urban History* and the three-volume *Energy Information Guide*. With Gail Schlachter, he is the author of Reference Service Press's award-winning *High School Senior's Guide to Merit and Other No-Need Funding* and a number of other financial aid titles, including *Financial Aid for Veterans, Military Personnel, and Their Families* and *Financial Aid for the Disabled and Their Families*, which was selected as one of the "Best Reference Books of the Year" by *Library Journal*.

# How to Pay for Your Degree in Journalism & Related Fields

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- Undergraduates* ●
- Graduate Students* ●



# Undergraduates

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Listed by program title and described in detail are 525 scholarships, grants, awards, and other funding opportunities designed to support undergraduate study, training, research, and creative activities in a field related to journalism or communications, including such specialties as advertising, agricultural communications, broadcasting, business reporting, graphic design and layout, online journalism, photojournalism, public relations, science reporting, and sports reporting. All of this is free money. Not one dollar will ever need to be repaid (provided all program requirements are met)!





**[1]  
ABRAZOS & BOOKS/RIGO CHACON REPORTER  
SCHOLARSHIP**

National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences-San Francisco/Northern California Chapter  
4317 Camden Avenue  
San Mateo, CA 94403-5007  
(650) 341-7786 Fax: (650) 372-0279  
E-mail: scholarship@emmysf.tv  
Web: www.emmysf.tv/reporting.html

**Summary** To provide financial assistance to undergraduate and graduate students from any state working on a degree in television reporting at colleges and universities in Hawaii, northern California, or Reno, Nevada.

**Eligibility** This program is open to 1) undergraduates who have completed at least 1 year of television studies and have at least 1 year remaining, and 2) graduate students. Applicants must be attending a college or university within the chapter area of northern California (from Visalia to the Oregon border), Hawaii, and Reno, Nevada and studying television reporting. They must submit 1) a 1-page essay summarizing their television academic and work experience, related activities, and personal goals; and 2) a composite (up to 10 minutes in length) with at least 3 stories showing their skills as a writer and reporter. Selection is based on potential to become an outstanding contributor to the television industry. Financial need is not considered.

**Financial Data** The stipend is \$3,000.

**Duration** 1 year.

**Additional data** This scholarship was first awarded in 2005.

**Number awarded** 1 each year.

**Deadline** May of each year.

**[2]  
ACCELERATED GENETICS SCHOLARSHIPS**

National FFA Organization  
Attn: Scholarship Office  
6060 FFA Drive  
P.O. Box 68960  
Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960  
(317) 802-4419 Fax: (317) 802-5419  
E-mail: scholarships@ffa.org  
Web: www.ffa.org

**Summary** To provide financial assistance to FFA members currently studying an agriculture-related subject (including communications) in college.

**Eligibility** This program is open to members currently enrolled full time in college and working on a 2-year or 4-year degree in agriculture, education, communications, management, finance, marketing, sales, science, or engineering. Applicants, or their parents, must be purchasing semen or farm products from an authorized Accelerated Genetics representative. They must live on a family-owned farm. Selection is based on academic achievement (10 points for GPA, 10 points for SAT or ACT score, 10 points for class rank), leadership in FFA activities (30 points), leadership in community activities (10 points), and participation in the Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program (30 points). U.S. citizenship is required.

**Financial Data** The stipend is \$1,000. Funds are paid directly to the recipient.

**Duration** 1 year; nonrenewable.

**Additional data** Funding for these scholarships is provided by Accelerated Genetics.

**Number awarded** 2 each year.

**Deadline** February of each year.

**[3]  
ACP REPORTER OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

Associated Collegiate Press  
Attn: ACP Contest  
2221 University Avenue S.E., Suite 121  
Minneapolis, MN 55414  
(612) 625-8335 Fax: (612) 626-0720  
E-mail: info@studentpress.org  
Web: www.studentpress.org/acp/contests.html

**Summary** To recognize and reward outstanding reporting by journalism students at college newspapers that are members of the Associated Collegiate Press (ACP).

**Eligibility** This competition is open to reporters enrolled as full-time students and working on the staff of an ACP member publication. Applicants must submit copies of their 3 best single news or feature stories published during the preceding academic year. Stories must be the work of 1 reporter, although 1 of the 3 may have been published under a shared byline. The stories may be of any length. Only 1 student from each newspaper may enter the contest. Reporters compete in separate categories for 2-year colleges and 4-year colleges and universities.

**Financial Data** For each category, first prize is \$1,000, second \$500, and third \$250.

**Duration** The competition is held annually.

**Additional data** The competition for 4-year colleges and universities is co-sponsored by MCT Campus.

**Number awarded** 6 each year: 3 in each category.

**Deadline** June of each year.

**[4]  
ADCRAFT FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

Adcraft Club of Detroit  
Attn: Foundation  
3011 West Grand Boulevard, Suite 561  
Detroit, MI 48202-3000  
(313) 872-7850 Fax: (313) 872-7858  
E-mail: adcraft@adcraft.org  
Web: www.adcraft.org

**Summary** To provide financial assistance to undergraduate and graduate students from any state majoring in advertising or marketing at colleges and universities in Michigan.

**Eligibility** This program is open to undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled at colleges and universities in Michigan. Applicants must be working on a degree in advertising or marketing. Selection is based on academic achievement and potential.

**Financial Data** Stipends range from \$1,000 to \$5,500.

**Duration** 1 year.

**Number awarded** Varies each year; a total of \$25,000 is available for this program annually.

**Deadline** February of each year.

**[5]  
ADVERTISING CLUB OF TOLEDO SCHOLARSHIP**

Toledo Community Foundation, Inc.  
Attn: Communications and Scholarship Officer  
300 Madison Avenue, Suite 1300  
Toledo, OH 43604-1583  
(419) 241-5049 Fax: (419) 242-5549  
E-mail: Joanne@toldeocf.org  
Web: www.toldeocf.org/main/scholarships

**Summary** To provide financial assistance to upper-division and graduate students from any state who are working on a degree in fields related to advertising at colleges and universities in Ohio and Michigan and preparing for a career in the greater Toledo, Ohio area.

**Eligibility** This program is open to juniors, seniors, and graduate students currently enrolled full time at the University of Toledo,

Bowling Green State University, or other accredited college or university in Michigan or Ohio. Applicants must be working on a degree in communications, marketing, public relations, or other field related to advertising. They must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Along with their application, they must submit a 1-page essay about their career goals, how their education will help them achieve those goals, and whether they plan to pursue a professional career in the greater Toledo area or another geographic location. Selection is based on scholastic aptitude and prior academic achievement; individual motivation, ability, and potential; letters of recommendation; intent to complete a degree in communications, marketing, public relations, or related field; extracurricular activities; and interest in pursuing a professional career in the greater Toledo area. U.S. citizenship is required.

**Financial Data** Stipends recently were \$1,000 or \$300 per year.

**Duration** 1 year; recipients may reapply.

**Number awarded** Varies each year. Recently, 3 of these scholarships were awarded: 2 at \$1,000 and 1 at \$300.

**Deadline** February of each year.

## [6]

### AGCO CORPORATION SCHOLARSHIPS

National FFA Organization  
Attn: Scholarship Office  
6060 FFA Drive  
P.O. Box 68960  
Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960  
(317) 802-4419 Fax: (317) 802-5419  
E-mail: [scholarships@ffa.org](mailto:scholarships@ffa.org)  
Web: [www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org)

**Summary** To provide financial assistance to FFA members studying or planning to study an agriculture-related field (including agricultural communications and journalism) in college.

**Eligibility** This program is open to members who are high school seniors or students already enrolled at a 2- or 4-year college or university. Applicants must be working on or planning to work on a degree in agronomy, crop science, general agriculture, agricultural communications, education, journalism, extension, food service management, public relations, business management, economics, sales and marketing, engineering, mechanization, agriculture power and equipment, or welding. They must be able to demonstrate financial need and a record of community service. Selection is based on academic achievement (10 points for GPA, 10 points for SAT or ACT score, 10 points for class rank), leadership in FFA activities (30 points), leadership in community activities (10 points), and participation in the Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program (30 points). U.S. citizenship is required.

**Financial Data** The stipend is \$2,000. Funds are paid directly to the recipient.

**Duration** 1 year; nonrenewable.

**Additional data** Funding for these scholarships is provided by AGCO Corporation.

**Number awarded** 12 each year.

**Deadline** February of each year.

## [7]

### AGCO FINANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

National FFA Organization  
Attn: Scholarship Office  
6060 FFA Drive  
P.O. Box 68960  
Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960  
(317) 802-4419 Fax: (317) 802-5419  
E-mail: [scholarships@ffa.org](mailto:scholarships@ffa.org)  
Web: [www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org)

**Summary** To provide financial assistance to FFA members from selected states interested in studying agricultural journalism or another field related to agriculture at a college in any state.

**Eligibility** This program is open to members who are high school seniors or college students enrolled or planning to enroll full time at a 2- or 4-year college or university in any state. Applicants must be interested in majoring in agricultural communications, agricultural power and equipment, agronomy, business management, crop science, economics, education, engineering, extension, food service management, general agriculture, journalism, mechanization, public relations, sales and marketing, or welding. They must be able to demonstrate financial need and a record of community service. Selection is based on academic achievement (10 points for GPA, 10 points for SAT or ACT score, 10 points for class rank), leadership in FFA activities (30 points), leadership in community activities (10 points), and participation in the Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program (30 points). U.S. citizenship is required.

**Financial Data** The stipend is \$2,000. Funds are paid directly to the recipient.

**Duration** 1 year; nonrenewable.

**Additional data** Funding for this scholarship is provided by AGCO Finance.

**Number awarded** 6 each year.

**Deadline** February of each year.

## [8]

### AL MUAMMAR SCHOLARSHIPS FOR JOURNALISM

Arab American Institute Foundation  
Attn: Scholarship Administrator  
1600 K Street, N.W., Suite 601  
Washington, DC 20006  
(202) 429-9210 Fax: (202) 429-9214  
E-mail: [aaif@aaiusa.org](mailto:aaif@aaiusa.org)  
Web: [www.aaiusa.org/foundation/33/scholarships](http://www.aaiusa.org/foundation/33/scholarships)

**Summary** To provide financial assistance to Arab American students interested in working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in journalism.

**Eligibility** This program is open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents of Arab descent who are enrolled full time at an accredited college or university in the United States. Applicants must be undergraduates or college seniors admitted to a graduate program. They must have a GPA of 3.3 or higher and a demonstrated commitment to the field of print or broadcast journalism. Selection is based on sensitivity to Arab American issues, demonstrated community involvement, initiative in social advocacy and civic empowerment, journalistic ability, academic ability, commitment to the field of journalism, and financial need.

**Financial Data** The stipend is \$5,000.

**Duration** 1 year.

**Additional data** These scholarships were first awarded in 2006.

**Number awarded** Up to 4 each year.

**Deadline** February of each year.

## [9]

### AL NEUHARTH FREE SPIRIT SCHOLARSHIP AND CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Freedom Forum  
Attn: Manager, Free Spirit Program  
555 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20001  
(202) 292-6261 Fax: (202) 292-6265  
E-mail: [freespirit@freedomforum.org](mailto:freespirit@freedomforum.org)  
Web: [www.freedomforum.org/freespirit](http://www.freedomforum.org/freespirit)

**Summary** To provide financial assistance for college to high school journalists who demonstrate a "free spirit."

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# Calendar Index

Since most financial aid programs have specific deadline dates, some may have already closed by the time you begin to look for funding. You can use the Calendar Index to identify which programs are still open. To do that, go to the educational category that applies to you (Undergraduates or Graduate Students), think about when you'll be able to complete your application forms, go to the appropriate months, jot down the entry numbers listed there, and use those numbers to find the program descriptions in the directory. Keep in mind that the numbers cited here refer to program entry numbers, not to page numbers in the book.

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