

All scholarship awards are applied through Financial Aid to your student account on the 10th day of the Fall semester following the School of Communication COM Week Awards Ceremony. No checks are awarded to recipients by the School or Foundation.

To determine the impact of a scholarship on your financial aid package, you should review the Student Portal for changes to your aid package and then contact your Financial Aid Advisor if you have further questions.

Please note: Scholarship awards will not be applied to your student account until a thank you note to the scholarship donor is received in the School of Communication office and all scholarship requirements have been met.

Graduating Seniors in May and August 2017 are ineligible for scholarships and awards.

The Martin F. Duffy Scholarship in Communication Application

Applicant Name _____ UID _____ - _____ - _____

Major _____ Sequence _____ GPA _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I, the undersigned, grant permission to the Illinois State University School of Communication to obtain and review all academic records relevant to selection of the scholarship recipient. I also agree that the school may contact those who have written letters of recommendation on my behalf.

I understand that the selected applicant must be or have:

- *A major in the School of Communication, preferably journalism major, with a minimum of 60 credit hours*
- *Demonstrated academic achievement, as evidenced by a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.*
- *Preference will be given to students who wish to pursue a career in print journalism*
- *Scholarship Funds must be used for educational expenses.*

I understand that the selected applicant will be required to:

- *Complete a Martin F. Duffy Scholarship in Communication Application.*
- *Submit an updated resume.*
- *Submit a one page essay explaining how your experiences in the School of Communication at Illinois State University will help you make a difference in the journalism profession.*
- *Submit 2 letters of recommendation*
 - Award/scholarship applicants are encouraged to obtain letters of recommendation from diverse, external sources (e.g., professor outside of student's major, internship supervisor, volunteer work supervisor, full-part-time job supervisor, etc.), who would account for the fit of the applicant with the criteria and spirit of the award/scholarship sought.
 - Letters should be addressed to either (a) the specific award/scholarship review committee or when the letter is in support of multiple awards (b) the overall COM award/scholarship committee.

Signature of Applicant _____

Date _____

All materials should be sent to: The School of Communication, Campus Box 4480, Illinois State University, Normal, IL 61790-4480.

The Martin F. Duffy Scholarship in Communication Essay

In one single-spaced page, submit an essay explaining how your experiences in the School of Communication at Illinois State University will help you make a difference in the journalism profession.

(You may use the remainder of this sheet or attach a sheet to this application packet).