

All scholarship awards are applied through Financial Aid to your student account on the 10<sup>th</sup> 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 Pantagraph Endowed Scholarship 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:

- *Enrolled in good standing at Illinois State University*
- *Declared major within the School of Communication*
- *Must have completed at least one semester as a full time graduate student or be a full time undergraduate student with a minimum of 60 earned credited hours*
- *Demonstrate strong academic achievement as evidenced by a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale*
- *Display leadership and a sincere interest in journalism*
- *Show leadership in a sincere interest in Journalism as evidenced by participation in organizations as approved by the School of Communication*

I understand that the selected applicant will be required to:

- *Complete a Pantagraph Endowed Scholarship Application.*
- *Submit a 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 two 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: School of Communication, Campus Box 4480, Illinois State University, Normal, Ill. 61790-4480. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

## **The Pantagraph Endowed Scholarship 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).