

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship fund was established by the faculty of San Diego Mesa College's Journalism program to recognize and provide financial assistance to deserving students who have achieved outstanding scholarship and demonstrate an interest in the journalism field.

TO BE ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Be currently enrolled in at least 9 units at Mesa College
- Have completed at least 6 units of journalism courses with a grade of "B" or higher.
- Have completed a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Have a declared academic goal of transfer to a four year institution or are pursuing a journalism degree or certificate at Mesa.

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 29, 2012

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be received by 5:00 p.m. on February 29, 2012. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

All completed applications that meet eligibility requirements will be reviewed by Mesa College journalism adviser Janna Braun and another faculty member from the Mesa English Department.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Biographical Questionnaire	20 points maximum
GPA of 3.0 and higher	30 points maximum
Essay	30 points maximum
Recommendation letters (2)	20 points maximum

RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Recipients will be notified by mid-April. Awards will be presented on Friday April 27, 2012, at the Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet. Recipients will be honored as special guests and will receive one complimentary dinner ticket. Attendance at the Scholarship Banquet is strongly encouraged so that your achievements can be celebrated and the generosity of the donors publicly acknowledged.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants are requested to submit the following documentation:

1. Submit a fully completed biographical questionnaire. All information requested must be provided.
2. Submit **unofficial** transcripts.
3. Submit two current letters of recommendation on official letterhead:
 - One (1) from a Mesa College faculty member (counselors are faculty members) specific to this scholarship and discussing your academic achievement and/or progress in your planned educational program.
 - One (1) from a person (faculty or non-faculty) who can provide information regarding your internship(s) work-experience and/or community service activities.
4. Submit a well-written original essay about your background, your educational and career goals, and your interest in the field of journalism/media/public relations/advertising. Your essay should not exceed 500 words.

RETURN OR MAIL TO:

San Diego Mesa College
Student Affairs Office
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
7250 Mesa College Drive, H-500
San Diego, CA 92111

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