

## White House Correspondents' Association Scholarships

**For Spring 2023 – Application Deadline **Sept. 16, 2022****

**Apply now:** Scholarships worth \$4,200 each are available for outstanding Missouri School of Journalism students to be a part of the Spring 2023 semester Washington Program. You will earn course credit while you gain experience in a professional news internship and attend weekly seminars with some of the nation's leading journalists and communications experts.

**Who is eligible?** Applicants must be at least a rising junior with a demonstrated interest in government and public affairs reporting through previous course work, newsroom experience or internships. Recipients of the scholarships must obtain a qualifying news internship in the nation's capital and enroll in the Washington Program for the Spring 2023 semester.

**The ideal candidates:** We're looking for students who have an interest public affairs journalism, including covering the impact of government and public policy on issues that matter to real people – everything from environment, business, health care and education to social justice, immigration, politics and First Amendment issues. Previous experience producing stories for one of the Journalism School's newsrooms, campus media, or during a previous internship is important. You will need that experience to obtain a Washington internship. Graduate students are preferred, but highly qualified undergraduates will be considered.

### **How to apply:**

- **Graduate Students:** Contact Nermine El Khatib, Senior Academic Advisor, Graduate Studies, for details on how to apply for these scholarships: [nelkhatib@missouri.edu](mailto:nelkhatib@missouri.edu)
- **Undergraduates (juniors and above):** Submit the following materials to: Alison Young, Washington Program Director, [alisonyoung@missouri.edu](mailto:alisonyoung@missouri.edu) **Subject line: WHCA Scholarships**
  - Cover letter (maximum 600 words) that tells us what motivates you as a journalist and why you want to spend a semester in the Washington Program.
  - Resume
  - One example of your reporting (please provide a link or pdf)

**Application Deadline: **Friday, Sept. 16, 2022****. A faculty committee will review the applications and select one or more recipients.

### **Other important information:**

- Be sure to talk with your academic advisor about whether a semester in Washington works with your academic plan.
- If selected for this scholarship, to be eligible to receive the award the recipient must obtain a qualifying news internship in the Washington, D.C., area and enroll in the Missouri School of Journalism Washington Program for the Spring 2023 semester. You can read more details about the program and its costs: <http://www.mujournalismabroad.com/washington-dc> .
- Students are required to separately apply for and obtain a qualifying internship for the spring semester. The Washington Program will provide coaching and resources to help you with your internship search. A helpful list of organizations is [here](#).
- As part of the Washington Program, the recipient will receive course credit as they attend in-person weekly seminars at the program's offices in the National Press Building in downtown Washington, D.C, and work in their internship.
- The Washington Program provides student housing in Washington, D.C., and undergraduates are required to live in this program housing.
- The scholarship money can be used to pay for tuition, program fees, housing, travel, food and other expenses. Please be aware that WHCA Scholarships cannot be combined with some other Washington Program-specific scholarships.
- Applicants are encouraged to set up an appointment with staff in the [Journalism School's Office of Global Programs](#) to discuss program costs, finances and create a draft budget for a semester in Washington.