

University of St. Thomas

Department of Communication and Journalism

High School Student Scholarship Application Directions

DEADLINE: Monday, March 2, 2009

Scholarships are only for incoming, first-year students from high school who plan to be Department of Communication and Journalism majors at the University of St. Thomas.

How to Apply for a Scholarship

1. Fill out the attached application completely.

2. Write a 400-word essay (approximately two typed pages). Use an additional sheet if necessary.

Our nation's founders believed that democratic decisions result from participating in rational inquiry and debate over ideas expressed in free speech and a free press. Communication today still includes speech, books, magazines and newspapers, but television, radio and new media have created alternative ways to gather information.

Your essay topic is "What is the ideal mixture of communication media that today's college student must tap to stay informed? Why?" Feel free to discuss multiple forms of communication for your essay (e.g., interpersonal, journalism, advertising, public relations, radio, television, the Web, blogs, etc.).

The essay is heavily weighted in evaluating applications. So put effort into your research, thinking, writing and editing. The essay will be judged on the strength of your argument, cohesiveness, spelling, grammar and punctuation. You are seeking a degree in a discipline that places strong emphasis on skilled writing. Your skills should be evident in your essay.

3. Acquire one letter of recommendation.

This letter must be from a teacher who is familiar with your potential for academic work and a career in a communication field. The letter should address your academic and leadership abilities and the qualities that make you stand out from other students.

4. Submit a copy of your most recent high school transcript.

5. Submit all materials together by March 2.

The Department of Communication and Journalism must receive the scholarship materials by Monday, March 2, 2009. Scholarship materials may be dropped off at the Communication and Journalism Department Office in Room 466 of the O'Shaughnessy Education Center by 4:00 p.m., Monday, March 2.

Mailing address

Department of Communication and Journalism (#5013)
Scholarships
2115 Summit Avenue
University of St. Thomas
St. Paul, Minnesota 55105-1096

For more information call

651-962-5250

A panel of faculty members will review all scholarship materials and notify award recipients by May 2.

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I have applied for admission to the University of St. Thomas (required) **UST ID#** _____

Provide all the following information:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

I am considering a major in _____ Possible second major or minor _____

Cumulative High School GPA/highest possible, e.g., 3.5/4.0, etc.) _____ / _____ AP Credits _____

Test Scores: Report one or both.

ACT Scores: English _____ Math _____ Reading _____ Science _____ Composite _____

SAT Scores: Verbal _____ Math _____ Total _____

Career Goals _____

Honors _____ Dates _____

Employment _____ Dates _____

Organizations and Offices Held

Dates

Community Service

Dates

Other extra-curricular activities (community, social, athletic, etc.)

Dates

If you do not want UST to publish your name in conjunction with the scholarship program, please check here.

Signature

Date

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