

# Georgia Press Educational Foundation

## Billy Watson Internship Program

### Student Newspaper Application

In the last 25 years, Georgia Press Educational Foundation has provided funding for more than 150 newspapers to hire student interns. Today, the program continues to offer eight-week internship grants to newspapers to hire students interested in any phase of newspaper production, including advertising, editorial, circulation/marketing, online publishing and pre-press production.

The internship program provides students with actual newspaper experience while reinforcing their scholastic training with a goal of convincing interns to pursue a career in the newspaper industry. Most interns credit the program with giving them a perspective of the newspaper business that they could not have gleaned from the classroom alone.

Internships are awarded to publications that are members of Georgia Press Association. Newspapers that are awarded internship grants are responsible for the hiring of student interns and may choose from their own candidates or from candidates applying for internships through Georgia Press Educational Foundation.

If you are a student interested in a summer internship at a newspaper, complete this application. Applications are due March 1, 2017. Newspapers that are awarded GPEF grants will be sent the information you include in this application.

**IMPORTANT: If you know of a newspaper where you would like to work during the summer of 2018, contact the publisher, editor or other manager of the newspaper now to see if they are a member of Georgia Press Association. If they are, encourage them to apply for an internship grant they they can use to hire an intern. Host newspapers applications are available at the GPEF page on the website of Georgia Press Association at:**

<http://gapress.org/georgia-press-educational-foundation/>

For questions or more information, contact Sean Ireland at [sireland@gapress.org](mailto:sireland@gapress.org) or 770-454-6776.

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### Student Application

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Date Received	_____	
Intern	Y	N

Application and all related materials required must be received by the Georgia Press Educational Foundation postmarked no later than March 1. Mail all materials required to:

Internships  
Georgia Press Educational Foundation  
3066 Mercer University Drive, Suite 200  
Atlanta, Georgia 30341-4137

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Please print or type.

#### Applicant Profile

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

College/High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Education

College Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit hours completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall College GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA in major: \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you are in high school

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#### Internship Preferences

Newspaper Interest: _____	Editorial (writing, reporting)
(Check all that apply) _____	Advertising (sales/ad design)
_____	Photography
_____	Circulation (marketing and promotions)

Please indicate the state region where you are interested working: (Check all that apply)

_____ Rome/Dalton./NW GA	_____ Metro Atlanta
_____ Savannah/Statesboro/Brunswick/ SE GA	_____ Macon/Milledgeville/Dublin/ Middle GA
_____ Valdosta/Tifton/South GA	_____ Albany/Columbus/ SW GA
_____ Athens/Augusta/NE GA	_____ Other _____

## Newspaper Experience

Have you previously worked for or interned at a newspaper, other than a college newspaper?

\_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO If yes, what newspaper and year: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously worked for your college/university newspaper? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

If yes, list newspaper, year(s) and newspaper advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

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List computer equipment and software with which you have experience: \_\_\_\_\_

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## The Agreement

- By signing this application, you, the student, agree to the release of all information on this application by the Georgia Press Association and its subsidiary, the Georgia Press Educational Foundation, to member newspapers of GPA.
- Each newspaper is responsible for hiring its intern. This application will be circulated to the newspapers. Please note that the Georgia Press Association and the Georgia Press Educational Foundation do not make the hiring decision.
- All applications are subject to review and selection process.

If you would like a list of the newspapers that have received GPEF funds to hire an intern, please call our offices after April 25.

If you have questions about the application process, please call (770) 454-6776.

Would you like to apply for a GPEF Scholarship in the future? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

On a separate piece of paper, please explain in 200 words or less, what you would like to gain from this summer internship. You are free to include clips and/or a résumé with your application and essay.

Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_