

Georgia Press Educational Foundation Billy Watson Internship Program

Student Application

In the last 30 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, 2025. 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 2025, 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 scholarships and internships page on the website of Georgia Press Association at:

<http://gapress.org/scholarships-internhips/>

For questions or more information, contact Sean Ireland at sireland@gapress.org or 770-454-6776.

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Application and all related materials required must be received by the Georgia Press Educational Foundation postmarked no later than March 1. FAX to 770-454-6778 or email sireland@gapress.org. Mail all materials required to:

Internships, Georgia Press Educational Foundation
P.O. Box 4003
Marietta, Georgia 30061

Please print or type.

Applicant Profile

Name: _____ E-mail address: _____

College/High School: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Campus Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Education

College Major: _____ Credit hours completed: _____

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

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: _____

List computer equipment and software with which you have experience: _____

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 26.

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

Please explain in 200 words or less and send with this application 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 _____