



2012 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS

The Los Angeles Chapter of the Asian American Journalists Association is offering individual scholarship awards of as much as \$1,000 for full-time students attending college in the Greater Los Angeles area during the 2012-2013 school year.

Applications must be received by Friday, Sept. 28, 2012. Winners will be determined by Oct. 5 and recognized on Oct. 12 at AAJA-LA's annual Trivia Bowl fundraiser.

Applications and work samples will be reviewed by a panel of judges led by "KTLA Morning News" Co-Anchor Frank Buckley and Los Angeles Times Assistant Managing Editor Henry Fuhrmann.

The Los Angeles Chapter's website is at www.aaja-la.org

ELIGIBILITY

- 1) Applicants must be committed to AAJA's mission.
- 2) Applicants must demonstrate journalistic excellence, a strong interest in pursuing journalism as a career, and a commitment to community involvement.
- 3) Applicants must be enrolled full time in a Greater Los Angeles-area college or university for the fall 2012 quarter or semester. Applicants must be taking journalism or related courses or pursuing a career in journalism.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be selected on the basis of academic achievement, demonstrated journalistic ability, financial need, commitment to the field of journalism and sensitivity to Asian American and Pacific Islander issues. The judges may weigh criteria differently or take into account other factors.

AAJA membership is encouraged for all applicants. Scholarship winners are required to join the Los Angeles Chapter and to volunteer at two chapter events. To join: www.aaja.org.

HOW TO APPLY

Please read the following instructions carefully. Submit **four complete, collated sets (one original, three copies)** of each of the following items. Use paper clips, not staples.

1) COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM.

2) RESUME: Must be on one single-sided 8.5-inch-by-11-inch sheet of paper. List your educational background, work history, awards, journalism-related internships, other scholarships, language proficiency and any work done for your school or community newspaper, radio or television.

3) ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT: Transcripts may not be sent separately.

4) TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Letters should come from a professional who is familiar with your academic or journalism work.

5) SHORT ESSAY: The essay should not exceed 500 words and must be typed and double-spaced. Please respond to the following: Describe any involvement or interest you have in the Asian American and Pacific Islander community. If you were awarded an AAJA scholarship, propose how you would contribute to the field of journalism and media issues involving the Asian American and Pacific Islander community.

6) WORK SAMPLES: Note that samples will not be returned.

PRINT APPLICANTS: Send four copies of no more than four articles, photocopied or printed on 8.5-inch-by-11-inch paper. Do not send tear sheets or term papers.

BROADCAST APPLICANTS: Radio applicants should send no more than three stories (total length of less than 10 minutes), all copied onto four CDs. TV applicants should send no more than three stories (total length of less than 10 minutes), providing either a web link (such as to YouTube) or four DVDs. **Tip:** If you need to transfer VHS to DVD, try your local photocopy business center, pharmacy or online video copying services.

PHOTOJOURNALISM APPLICANTS: Please submit a portfolio containing no more than 10 entries. A picture story is considered one entry. Published and unpublished photographs will be considered. Entries may be black-and-white or color prints, slides, clippings, CDs or URLs. Prints or clippings should be no larger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches. Complete caption information must be included.

CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP

MR.

MS.

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

TELEPHONE

E-MAIL

DATE OF BIRTH

SCHOOL

CURRENT YEAR IN SCHOOL

EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION

MAJOR

GPA

PERMANENT ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PERMANENT TELEPHONE (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

PERMANENT E-MAIL (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

HOW DID YOU HEAR OF THIS OPPORTUNITY? _____

RACIAL/ ETHNIC IDENTIFICATION (OPTIONAL) CHINESE FILIPINO JAPANESE KOREAN MIDDLE EASTERN PACIFIC ISLANDER SOUTH ASIAN

SOUTHEAST ASIAN MULTIRACIAL (Asian/Pacific Islander) OTHER _____

WHILE ANSWERING IS VOLUNTARY, THE INFORMATION WILL ASSIST WITH PLANNING OUR PROGRAMS/ SERVICES

HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED AN AAJA SCHOLARSHIP? NO YES IF YES, PLEASE STATE DETAILS (I.E., YEAR, NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP, CHAPTER) _____

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Estimated college expenses for the 2012-2013 school year

Expenses:

Tuition and fees	\$ _____
Room and board	\$ _____
Books/supplies	\$ _____
Transportation	\$ _____
Personal expenses	\$ _____
Total expenses	\$ _____

Income:

Loans	\$ _____
Job/work study	\$ _____
Grants: Pell, etc.	\$ _____
Scholarship awards	\$ _____
Family contribution	\$ _____
Other gifts	\$ _____
Total income	\$ _____

Subtract Income From Expenses

Total expenses	\$ _____
-- total income	\$ _____
=	\$ _____

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Mail four collated sets of your application materials in one envelope to:

KTTLA-TV

Attn.: Frank Buckley, AAJA-LA Scholarship Chairman
5800 Sunset Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90028

VERIFICATION: STUDENT

I affirm that the information included with my application is true and accurate in all respects, and that I intend to pursue a career in journalism. I also affirm that the awarding of funds is contingent upon my enrollment in the accredited institution listed on my application and that the funds, if awarded, will be used toward the cost of my education. I further affirm that, as a condition of receiving the funds, I will submit a progress report at the end of each semester.

SIGNATURE

DATE