UNDERGRADUATE WINTER AWARDS

Mary Lou Butcher Equality in Journalism Award
This prize will be awarded to continuing undergraduate or graduate students who demonstrate outstanding promise for professional achievement in news media and who write the best essay on "Diversity in the News Media-Who Benefits and Why?" The award is given to encourage equality in journalism and emerging forms of news gathering and reporting including media involved in information dissemination, investigative reporting, public affairs and news analysis. This award commemorates the class action sex discrimination suit against the Detroit News settled in 1984 in favor of Mary Lou Butcher and three other Detroit News employees. (Application required. Award up to $3,000 to a continuing student.)

The J. Evens Campbell Scholarship
Established in 1973 by the friends and family of J. Evens Campbell, a longtime leader in Michigan journalism, who served for 50 years as editor and publisher of THE ARGUS-PRESS in Owosso, Michigan. This award will be given to seniors majoring in Communication Studies, with a preference for individuals seeking a career in print communication, and who have displayed academic excellence. (Application required. Award up to $5,000, financial need also considered.)

Saks Family Scholarship
Established in 1997 by a bequest of Lewis H. Saks, a lecturer and adjunct faculty member in the University of Michigan School of Education and Director of Media Services, Community Relations, and Adult and Community Education in the East Detroit Schools from 1950 to 1986. This annual scholarship is awarded to junior or senior majors in Communication Studies. Students must hold a 3.0 minimum, cumulative grade point average, and the personal essay must also address the applicant's potential to contribute to their major area of study, particularly in the areas of social growth and/or individual creative achievement. (Application required. Award up to $5,000. Department nominates up to two students.)

Claude Sifritt Undergraduate Award
Established in 1979 with a gift from the estate of Claude Sifritt, this award is given in recognition of outstanding academic performance to provide support for undergraduate students active in Communication Studies. (Application required. Award up to $5,000 to a continuing student, financial need also considered.)

Applicants must be declared Communication Studies majors with at least junior standing.

All applications must be submitted with the following documentation:
- One to two page personal essay discussing educational achievements and career aspirations
- One letter of recommendation from a faculty member or GSI of the Department of Communication Studies (Only one letter of recommendation is required if applying for more than one award.)

Attach all materials to the application and submit to:
Student Awards Committee
Department of Communication Studies
5370 North Quad, 105 South State Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1285

Winter deadline for completed applications: 5:00 p.m., February 15th
(Note: If the deadline is on a weekend applications will be due the next business day no later than 5:00 p.m.)

**Students receiving financial aid should contact the UM Office of Financial Aid, 2500 Student Activities Building, to determine if receipt of a departmental merit award will impact the total financial aid package!
UNDERGRADUATE WINTER AWARD APPLICATION

Name: _______________________________ ________________________________
(First) (Last)

UM Email: ____________________________ UM ID #: _________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: _____________________________________________________________

Academic Level: ___________ Graduation Date: ________________________________

Phone: _____________________________ Majors(s): _____________________________

Office Use Only: ____________________________

Please consider my application for the following awards:
(Check all that apply)

☐ Mary Lou Butcher Equality in Journalism Award (Requires a separate essay of approximately 500-750 words on the topic “Diversity in the News Media-Who Benefits and Why?”)

☐ J. Evens Campbell Scholarship

☐ Saks Family Scholarship (The personal essay must also address the applicant’s potential to contribute to their major area of study, particularly in the areas of social growth and/or individual creative achievement.)

☐ Claude Sifritt Undergraduate Award

Note: Any student who has received a particular award may not receive that award again. Priority for all awards will be given to students who have not already received an award.

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