EMERGING JOURNALISTS PROGRAM

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Welcome to the Scripps Howard Foundation and the University of North Texas Mayborn School of Journalism's Emerging Journalists Program. It is designed to prepare the next generations of journalists and help to ensure that newsrooms better represent the broader population. The Mayborn School created a four-year curriculum that joins the school's faculty together with various local and regional media outlets to produce a rigorous in-field training program designed to produce top-tier journalism graduates who are ready to occupy important entry-level jobs from day one.

The Mayborn School's five-part program will create a strong mentor network between students and working journalists, a series of high school workshops that will encourage and recruit new cadres of students, "career bootcamps," in partnership with the national associations for Black and Hispanic journalists, opportunities for students to have their work published by major news organizations, and outreach and continuing education programs for regional high school teachers.

Learn more about the program: journalism.unt.edu/emergingjournalists

WHO CAN APPLY

Any Texas high school student who will be a junior, senior or recent graduate in the fall semester of 2024.

HOW DO YOU APPLY

- Fill out the application form for the program, which includes an essay and work samples requirement
- Submit a teacher/mentor teacher recommendation
- Submit a high school transcript
- Submit the parent permission form found on the Emerging Journalists website

2024 DATES AND DEADLINES FOR STUDENTS

MARCH 25, 2024: Deadline for student applications
APRIL 2024: Committee to review applicants and choose finalists and alternates
APRIL 22, 2024: Finalists notified and interviews scheduled as needed
MAY 3, 2024: Emerging Journalists announced
JUNE 9 - 13, 2024: High school workshop from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.
JUNE 17 - AUGUST 9, 2024: Summer internship term (8 weeks assuming 20 hours per week)
PROGRAM DETAILS

SUMMER WORKSHOP

Emerging Journalists will participate in a free, week-long workshop June 9-13, 2024 that sets the foundation for a summer internship placement. Journalists will be required to participate in a mix of live sessions, office hours with mentors and pre-recorded lessons and activities between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. every day that week.

The workshop curriculum will focus on fundamental newsgathering, ethical reporting, writing across platforms, journalism industry standards and style, and multimedia storytelling.

PAID INTERNSHIPS

Program participants will be paired with mentors and placed in internships with local media outlets. Journalists will be placed in fall internships after the successful completion of the workshop in June. Journalists will be paid $10 an hour for 20 hours a week over an eight-week period.

The internship will span for eight weeks between June 17 until August 9, 2024. The expectation is students will work for their selected news outlets to produce at least five stories during the eight-week term.

Scan to apply and learn more

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