

# Scholarship Application

Department of English & Journalism

Western Illinois University

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## Directions: (please read carefully)

1. Scholarships are listed on the other side of this application. Please note the specific requirements for each. Students will be considered for all awards for which they are eligible based on their application materials.
2. Fill out this form completely. ***Please print.***
3. Include a personal statement, which includes your reasons for majoring in English or Journalism as well as your plans for the future. Additionally, include any writing samples as needed for specific scholarships.
4. Include a copy of your resume (or a list of honors and activities if you do not have a current resume).
5. Sign and date the form.
6. Deliver this completed form and supporting materials to the English & Journalism Advising Office (Simpkins 124) by **February 14<sup>th</sup>**.

## Required Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Local address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Local or Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester hours completed at Western: \_\_\_\_\_ Semester hours completed in major: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Major GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any **immediate** family members currently enrolled in college. Names not required. You can just list by relationship (ie. my sister, mother, son, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

*For all applicants:*

I certify this information is accurate and complete.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*For students also applying for the Dameris Bagwell Journalism Scholarship:*

I certify that the above information is accurate and complete, and that I am a minority student studying at Western Illinois University. I am also a member of \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of a professional campus student organization)

## Recommendations

You must present letters of recommendation from two English & Journalism faculty. Please print their names below. Ask faculty to send letters to the Advising Office, Simpkins 124, by the February 14th deadline.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

## English and Journalism Scholarships

Scholarship Name	Requirements
Dameris Bagwell Memorial Scholarship in Journalism	Journalism major or minor; 3.0 GPA; at least sophomore standing; active in at least one professional student organization
Barbara & John Blackburn Scholarship	English major (preference for English Education); 2.75 GPA; at least junior standing; community service and/or student activities considered, as is financial need
Dr. Paul Blackford British Literature Scholarship	English major; 3.0 GPA; full-time student; recommendation of British Literature faculty member
Dr. John Castle Memorial Scholarship	Incoming Freshman English major; 3.0 high school GPA; ACT 26 composite/27 English
Dr. Olive Fite American Literature Scholarship	English major; 3.0 GPA; full-time student; recommendation of American Literature faculty member
Dr. Irving Garwood Shakespeare Scholarship	English major; 3.0 GPA; junior/senior standing; manifests and exceptional interest in Shakespeare; recommendation of Shakespeare faculty
Lila S. Linder English Scholarship	English major; 3.3 GPA; at least sophomore standing; full-time student; leadership, dependability, service; two scholarships awarded to 1 male and 1 female English major.
Alfred J. Lindsey Memorial Scholarship	Graduate or undergraduate English major; at least junior standing; requires 3.0 GPA (cumulative, major and minor) for undergraduate students/3.5 GPA for graduate students; exceptional interest & skill in writing; must submit writing samples (10-page maximum)
John Merrett Scholarship in British Literature	Graduate or undergraduate English major; at least junior standing; must submit essay from WIU British Lit. course
Nai-Tung Ting English Scholarship	Graduate or undergraduate English major; 3.0 GPA for undergraduates/3.5 GPA for graduate students; at least junior standing; preference given to student from mainland China
The Wanninger Foundation Scholarship	Graduate or undergraduate English major whose education was interrupted by at least two years; requires 2.5 GPA for undergraduate students/3.0 GPA for graduate students; awarded every other year
Beth M. Stiffler Memorial Scholarship	Junior or Senior English Education major; 3.0 GPA; fully accepted into TEP; 2 recommendations (one from ENG 384 or EDUC 439 faculty); submit short (1-2 pg.) statement of purpose, strengths and preparation for teaching
Bill Bradshaw Memorial Scholarship in Journalism	Journalism major; 3.0 GPA; junior/senior standing; preference given to applicants who reside in circulation area of <i>Quincy Herald Whig</i> or <i>LaHarpe Quill</i> – if no such applicant, then any Illinois resident
Kenneth L. Dixon Memorial Scholarship in Journalism	Incoming Freshman Journalism major from an Illinois high school; 26 ACT; rank top 20%; preference given to Colchester, IL resident or student from a McDonough County high school.
Scholar of the Year	English or Journalism major; outstanding GPA; at least junior standing; prefer outside activity that shows commitment to field of study