

## **Gil Purcell Memorial Journalism Scholarship for Native Canadians**

**Purpose:** To encourage native Canadians to pursue a career in journalism through study at a Canadian postsecondary institution.

**The Award:** A scholarship of \$4,000 and an offer of summer employment at The Canadian Press or one of its affiliated companies.

It was established in 1990 in honor of Gillis Purcell, general manager of The Canadian Press, the national news agency, from 1945 to 1969. Many of the strengths and traditions of Canadian journalism had their roots in his dedication to the quality of journalism.

**Eligibility:** To be awarded to a native Canadian (status or non-status Indian, Metis or Inuit) who is enrolled at a Canadian university or community college. The student must either be enrolled in a journalism program or actively involved in a volunteer capacity with a student newspaper or broadcast station. The scholarship is open to both French and English-speaking native Canadians.

**Deadline:** **November 15 of each year.**

**Selection:** Selection of the successful applicant will be made by a Canadian Press awards committee. The winner is usually announced in February.

Application forms can be obtained from schools of journalism, native organizations or from:

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## 1. **Name in Full**

## 2. **Address** (including postal code)

**Telephone number** (including area code)

## 3. **Native Canadian Ancestry**

Please explain how you meet the requirement of native Canadian ancestry (status or non-status Indian, Metis, Inuit).

## 4. **Education**

(a) Secondary schools and dates of attendance:

(b) At which post-secondary institution are you studying? When are you scheduled to complete the course?

(c) Outline in detail your involvement in either a journalism program or a student newspaper.

(d) Colleges, universities or other post-secondary schools; dates of attendance; major courses of study; degrees or diplomas received:

(e) Average and class standing (if known) in most recent school year:

## 5. **Career Plans**

Why are you interested in a career in journalism?