



## **WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS: Sign up now for 2019 NPA Foundation's Summer Internship Scholarship Program**

**Sign up deadline for newspapers is Friday, February 15!**

This is year three for the NPA Foundation's Summer Internship Scholarship Program. Six \$1,000 internship scholarships will be available to current Nebraska college students who successfully complete an eight-week summer internship program at a weekly newspaper in Nebraska.

The program is a way to introduce Nebraska journalism students to the challenges and rewards of community journalism, and give students hands-on experiences that will allow them to enhance their skills. The hope is that with this type of experience under their belts, former interns will become more involved in community journalism, either by working at or buying a Nebraska weekly, to continue the vital role newspapers play in our rural communities.

### ***Program guidelines for participating weeklies:***

- **Deadline for weekly papers to sign up to participate is Friday, February 15.** Contact Susan Watson [nebpress@nebpress.com](mailto:nebpress@nebpress.com), or 800-369-2850.
- Newspapers that participated in the 2018 internship program can sign up for 2019. *Students that participated as interns in the 2018 program are not eligible for the 2019.*
- The program is available only to students enrolled in a Nebraska college or university and majoring in journalism, communications or advertising/marketing. Interns can be involved in any aspect of journalism — reporting, photography, videography, graphic art/design, advertising/marketing or social media. Each employer will define the specifics of the job.
- *Participating newspapers must agree to pay interns a living wage, a housing stipend, and provide on-site, hands-on experience at your newspaper.*
- Internships will take place summer of 2019; students must submit letters, resumes and work samples to NPA by March 15, 2019; *participating newspapers will then contact students directly to set up interviews, make offers, etc.*
- Once the internship is successfully completed, both the intern and the participating paper must submit close-out evaluations to NPA. Upon completion, the student will receive a \$1,000 scholarship from the Foundation (check sent to their school for deposit into student's account) to assist with the next semester's tuition.