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# BROADCASTING STUDENT Scholarships

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#### The Purpose

The Tony and Linda Bonnici Scholarship Fund (TLBSF), administered by the Nevada Broadcasters Foundation (NVBF), supports future broadcasting professionals by offering financial assistance to students committed to pursuing a career in radio or TV broadcast journalism or related fields (e.g., broadcast engineering, production).

Radio: Radio and Digital Sales, Sales Management, Promotions, Programming/Music, Digital/Web, Business Office, Engineering, Equipment and Digital Technicians, Digital and Podcasting content, Show and Commercial Production, Show Producers, and On-Air Talent. Television: Television and Digital Sales, Engineering, Sales Management, Community Promotions, Business Office, Equipment and Digital Technicians, Digital/Web, Social Media, Graphics, Commercial Production, Promotion Writer/Producer, News Studio Production, Newscast Producers/Directors-**On-Air and Online, News Assignment** Desk, Media Management, Master Control Operations, Reporters, Photojournalists, Editors, Anchors and News Management.

#### Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be accepted to or attend a Nevada postsecondary institution.
- Be enrolled full-time (minimum 12 credits per semester; seniors exempt if fewer credits are needed to graduate).
- Maintain a minimum 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale.
- Be enrolled in a broadcasting or related field.

#### The Scholarship

The NVBF provides annual tuition-based scholarships to support aspiring broadcasting professionals. Recipients are awarded up to 15 credits per semester for an entire academic year, applicable to their enrollment in a twoyear or four-year college program centered on broadcasting or a related field. To remain eligible, recipients must maintain the required credit hours and GPA each semester.

#### Disbursement of Funds:

Scholarship funds are paid directly to the school registrar in two installments—one following spring/fall enrollment and after the add/drop deadline has passed. Disbursement of scholarship funds are paid directly, one following fall enrollment and one following spring enrollment after the add/drop deadline has passed. the installment is contingent upon meeting scholarship requirements and successfully renewing the application. All enrolled classes must be reviewed to ensure they align with the broadcasting program. While out-of-state students are encouraged to apply, the NVBF will only cover in-state (Nevada resident) tuition costs per credit.

#### Internship and Volunteer Requirements:

As part of the scholarship, recipients are expected to complete an internship at a TV or radio station or with a production team for non media companies such as The Raiders or Caesars Entertainment. In addition, recipients must commit to volunteering at a minimum of four NVBF fundraising events annually. These events include the NVBF Gala, golf tournament fundraisers, the December holiday party, and Broadcast Alumni Community (BAC) fundraising events.

Maintaining Scholarship Eligibility:

Lack of participation in required activities and failure to communicate effectively with the NVBF office could result in the revocation of the scholarship award.

#### **Application Checklist**

- Completed application form.
- One-page essay (double-spaced) addressing your interest in broadcasting and its influence on your career or educational path.
- A 30-second video (WeTransfer or Vimeo) addressing either your most rewarding broadcasting experience or why you should be chosen for the scholarship.
- Up to three letters of recommendation from professionals (e.g., teachers, employers).
- Official high school or college transcripts.
- Copy of a valid photo ID.



#### **ESSAY SUBMISSION:**

Please submit a one-page, typewritten essay (doublespaced) addressing the following:

- 1. What sparked your interest in broadcasting and how it has influenced your career or educational path?
- 2. Who is a local journalist, radio/television station, or digital news source you admire and why?

Please ensure the essay has been checked for grammatical errors and follows Associated Press (AP) Style format.

#### **IDENTIFICATION SUBMISSION:**

Submit a copy of your state identification card or your school identification card.

#### **RECOMMENDATION LETTER SUBMISSION:**

Include up to 3 letters of recommendation. The letters of recommendation should be from a professional in your life such as a teacher, employer, or counselor.

#### SUBMITTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Please save your completed application, essay, a copy of your identification card, and letters of recommendation as a single PDF file titled with your first and last name followed by "NVBF Application." For example, if your name is Eric Bonnici, your file should be named EricBonnici\_NVBF\_Application.pdf. Once your file is ready, email it to Foundation@NevadaBroadcasters.org.

\*IMPORTANT NOTE: Incomplete submissions will not receive follow-up contact.

#### **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT REQUIREMENT:**

Students must request that their registrar or counselor mail their official transcript to the **Nevada Broadcasters Foundation office at: 8985 S. Eastern Ave., Suite 205, Las Vegas, NV 89123**.

Alternatively, official transcripts can be sent electronically through services like the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) or Parchment to foundation@nevadabroadcasters.org.

What is an official transcript?

An official transcript is a certified record of a student's academic history. It is printed on security paper and bears the signature and seal of the high school or university registrar.

#### VIDEO REQUIREMENT:

#### New Applicants

Create a video (maximum length: 30 seconds) addressing one of the following:

• Describe your most rewarding broadcastrelated experience.

#### OR

• Deliver your best elevator pitch on why you should be chosen for this scholarship.

#### Returning NVBF scholars

Please submit a 1-minute video reflecting on your past year. Highlight the activities and events you participated in and share how the scholarship has made an impact on your journey. Including photos is highly encouraged to visually bring your experience to life.

Submit the video using WeTransfer or Vimeo. Name the file using your first and last name followed by "NVBFVideo" (e.g., if your name is Eric Bonnici, title the file "EricBonniciNVBFVideo"). Email the video to Foundation@NevadaBroadcasters.org.



## The Nevada Broadcasters Foundation's Scholarship Application

To be eligible, you must submit the application, including the written portion, letters of recommendation and :30 video. Official transcripts must be mailed directly from the issuing school.

Submit application electronically to Nevada Broadcasters Foundation no later than Friday, April 11, 2025 at 11:59 PM.

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### **Applicants Details**

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NSHE ID #				
Address				
City	State	Zip		
Tel. #				
Parent/Guardian		Tel. #		
Address	Cit	Y	State	Zip
How did you find out abo  Your cumulative GPA				
College grade level durin Expected date of college			5)	
Major/degree working to	oward			
How is your education	being funded (by p	ercent)? Parent(	(s)% Self	f%
Loans% Grants	% Scholarships	= 100%		
What other scholarships	or student aid do you	u have or are exp	ecting?	

## High School or College/University Information

School you are currently attending

	advisor, or counselor	
Address	City	
Zip	Tel. #	
College you will attend in F	all (2025)	
Your Activities		
List your academic honors	and other accomplishments.	
List school and community	activities and clubs and offices held	d.
List broadcast-related inter	nships and employment.	
What part-time work, if an	y, have you done while attending s	school?
Your Career		
	working immediately out of colleg	e? What would be your eventual "dream

### Checklist:

Make sure you have done the following.

- \_\_\_\_ Completed application.
- \_\_\_\_ Completed one-page typed essay.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Included up to three letters of recommendation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Included a copy of a valid picture I.D.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Had an official high school or college transcript sent to the NVBF office.

Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Emailed video submission

I certify the information on this application and attachments is true and correct.

Name (Please Print)

Applicants Signature

### Department Head, Counselor, or Advisor Certification (must be completed)

I certify this applicant meets the criteria related to Nevada residency, GPA, major, and grade level.

Name (Please Print) Company, Department and Position Title Email Phone Signature Date **For Questions Contact:** Eric Bonnici **Executive Director Nevada Broadcasters Foundation** 702-794-4994 Eric@NevadaBroadcasters.org NEVADA **Broadcasters** Foundation Tony & Linda Bonnici SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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