

Application for Scholarship Award

The Eye of the Eagle

Władysław Zachariasiewicz Memorial Journalism Scholarship

Sponsored by the American Council for Polish Culture (ACPC)

Date of Application _____

Name _____

Current Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____@_____

Date of Birth _____

Note: If you are selected as the award recipient, you will need to complete and return IRS form W-9.

Materials checklist: Submit via flash drive or on-line service such as wetransfer.com

1. Transcript(s) with an official seal of the institution (the last 3 academic years).

2. Three concise writing samples that illustrate the student's understanding of the principles of journalism and command of the English language. Videos or photos may supplement but not substitute for writing samples. (briefly describe photos)

(1) _____

(2) _____

(3) _____

Multimedia such as videos or PowerPoint presentations (describe)

(1) _____

References

Submit two (2) letters of recommendation: one from a non-related faculty member who can attest to your character and extra-curricular activities, and a second from an individual involved in the field of journalism. Recommendations must be on letterhead, signed and written in English.

List the individuals' names, positions, company, school or institution, mailing address, telephone number and email. Also stipulate how long you have known each person and in what academic or professional capacity.

(1) _____

(2) _____

Attachments

1. **A video or personal essay** (maximum 500 words) on what it means to be a Polish American in the United States.

2. **Written responses to the following questions:**

- a.) What do you see as the current primary strengths and weaknesses of journalism in the United States and globally?
- b.) What do you see as the biggest issues currently facing either Poland or the Polish American community?

3. Describe in detail any ancestral family and professional connections you have to Poland (maximum 250 words).

Educational Information

Submit a copy of your letter of admission. *This requirement is only for students who are entering graduate programs or beginning doctoral programs in academic year Fall 2026/Spring 2027*

Name of College or University you are or will be attending as of September 2026, major and year of study (must be entering or at junior level or above)

If you are a graduate student, list all schools attended for undergraduate study

Degrees and years earned _____

Required disclaimer acknowledgment and affirmation

I confirm that all statements, writings and attachments in this application are accurate, my own work and complete. I understand that the scholarship committee and ACPC retain unlimited use of applicant materials. If awarded a scholarship, I agree to be interviewed by media designated by the ACPC. I agree to allow perpetual use of my image and biographical information for ACPC promotional materials. I understand that materials submitted with this application will not be returned.

Signature and Date

If selected as a scholarship recipient, you will receive a one-year membership to the ACPC. All materials must be postmarked or electronically transmitted (see below) and received by June 30,2026 and sent to:

Brian Malski

Chair - Eye of the Eagle, Władysław Zachariasiewicz Memorial Journalism Scholarship Committee

1421 Ottawa Street

Royal Oak, MI 48073

Phone: 248-217-5951

Email submission option: Send files to bjmalski@gmail.com. Actual files must be submitted. Links to Cloud storage and Dropbox-like sites will not be accepted