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Journalism Advisory Council

- **Michael Chihak ('71, chair):** Former Arizona Public Media news director, Tucson Citizen publisher, USA Today editor
- **Chyrl Hill Lander ('76, vice chair):** Former journalist at Arizona Daily Star, TUSD spokesperson and UA adjunct
- **Paul Allvin ('93):** VP for strategic communications and marketing at George Mason University
- **Joe Altman ('99):** Tax professional in Tempe for RSM US LLP, a global accounting and consulting firm. Former AP journalist.
- **Jo Marie Barkley ('86):** Public affairs coordinator, UA Department of Emergency Medicine
- **Jim Calle ('85):** Attorney representing Border Patrol agents
- **Valerie Cavazos ('91 Radio/TV):** Anchor for KGUN9-TV; Emmy-nominated investigative reporter
- **Hipolito Corella ('90):** Senior editor at the Arizona Daily Star, where he has worked since 1991
- **Mariana Dale ('14):** Reporter for KPCC Public Radio in Los Angeles. Murrow Award winner at KJZZ in Phoenix.
- **John D'Anna ('83):** Senior news director/enterprise and investigations at The Santa Rosa (California) Press Democrat.
- **Scott Harelson ('84, Radio/TV):** Media relations manager at Salt River Project in Phoenix
- **Kimberly Kayler ('95):** President of Advancing Organizational Excellence in Michigan. Helped endow Emerine scholarship.
- **Chris Kline:** President CEO of Arizona Broadcasters Association

- **Pila Martinez ('96):** UA senior director for strategic communications; former reporter for Arizona Daily Star.
- **Jane McCollum:** General manager and president of real estate for the Marshall Foundation/Main Gate Square.
- **Nate Olivarez-Giles ('08):** Tech and innovation editor for Apple's app store. Ex-Wall Street Journal, L.A. Times journalist.
- **Steve Rosenberg ('82):** Owner/publisher, BizTucson magazine
- **Jon Rowley ('66):** Rancher in Amado, Arizona; family history in publishing and media ownership
- **Nicole Santa Cruz ('09):** Reporter ProPublica covering marginalized communities, formerly at L.A. Times.
- **Lisa Simpson:** Executive director, Arizona Newspapers Assoc.
- **Mark Woodhams (chair):** Former director of Arizona Student Media and adviser for the Arizona Daily Wildcat

HONORARY MEMBERS

- **Bobbie Jo Buel ('79):** Former editor of the Arizona Daily Star.
- **Patty Weiss Gelenberg ('71):** Former KVOA 4 anchor in Tucson
- **Bruce Itule ('69):** UA professor emeritus of journalism
- **Gerald Sass:** Former executive VP of the Freedom Forum
- **Arlene Scadron ('75):** Former journalism head and student newspaper adviser at Pima College
- **Frank Sotomayor ('66):** Former editor and Pulitzer Prize winner at Los Angeles Times



Michael Chihak, chair



Chyrl Hill Lander, vice chair

Good luck,
Celeste and Maggy!



Dr. Celeste González de Bustamante



Maggy Zanger

Celeste González de Bustamante

Professor





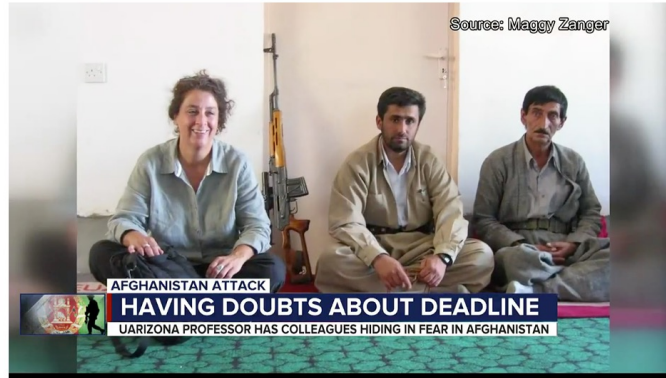
Maggy Zanger

Professor of Practice





University of Arizona professor worries for colleagues stranded in Afghanistan



Awards

- The School of Journalism hands out nearly two dozen awards to students each year to recognize journalism excellence.



Kappa Tau Alpha

Over 110 years of excellence in scholarship



College honor
society

Kappa Tau Alpha recognizes academic excellence and promotes scholarship in journalism and mass communication. Members must rank in the upper 10 percent of their class.

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Paige Balota



Sam Burdette



Capri Fain



Ryan Potts

Mark Finley Gold Pen Award

Named for a UA grad and journalist who worked for the Boston Herald. The award recognizes the best beginning news writers through a competition among selected JOUR 205 students.

Fall 2021 contest



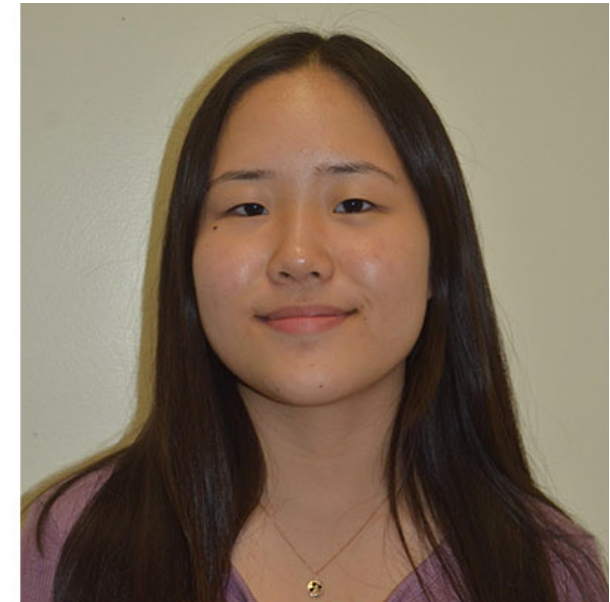
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First place



Vic Verbalaitis

Second place



Sohi Kang

Third place

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Spring 2022 contest



Erika Howlett

First place



Ainsley Thomas

Second place



Paige Johnson

Third place

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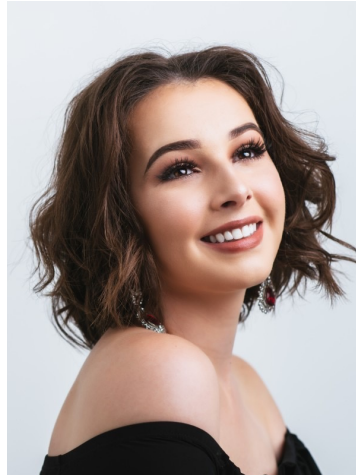
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- **Gracie Lordi**
Fall 2020, third place, arcade

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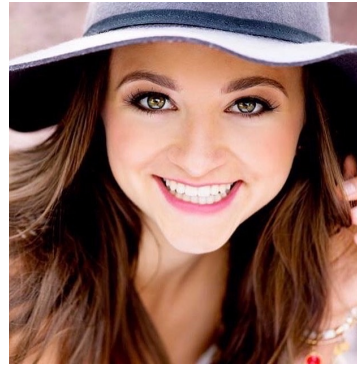
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- **Anna Maynard**
Fall 2020, second place, soccer game

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- **Allison Burgess**

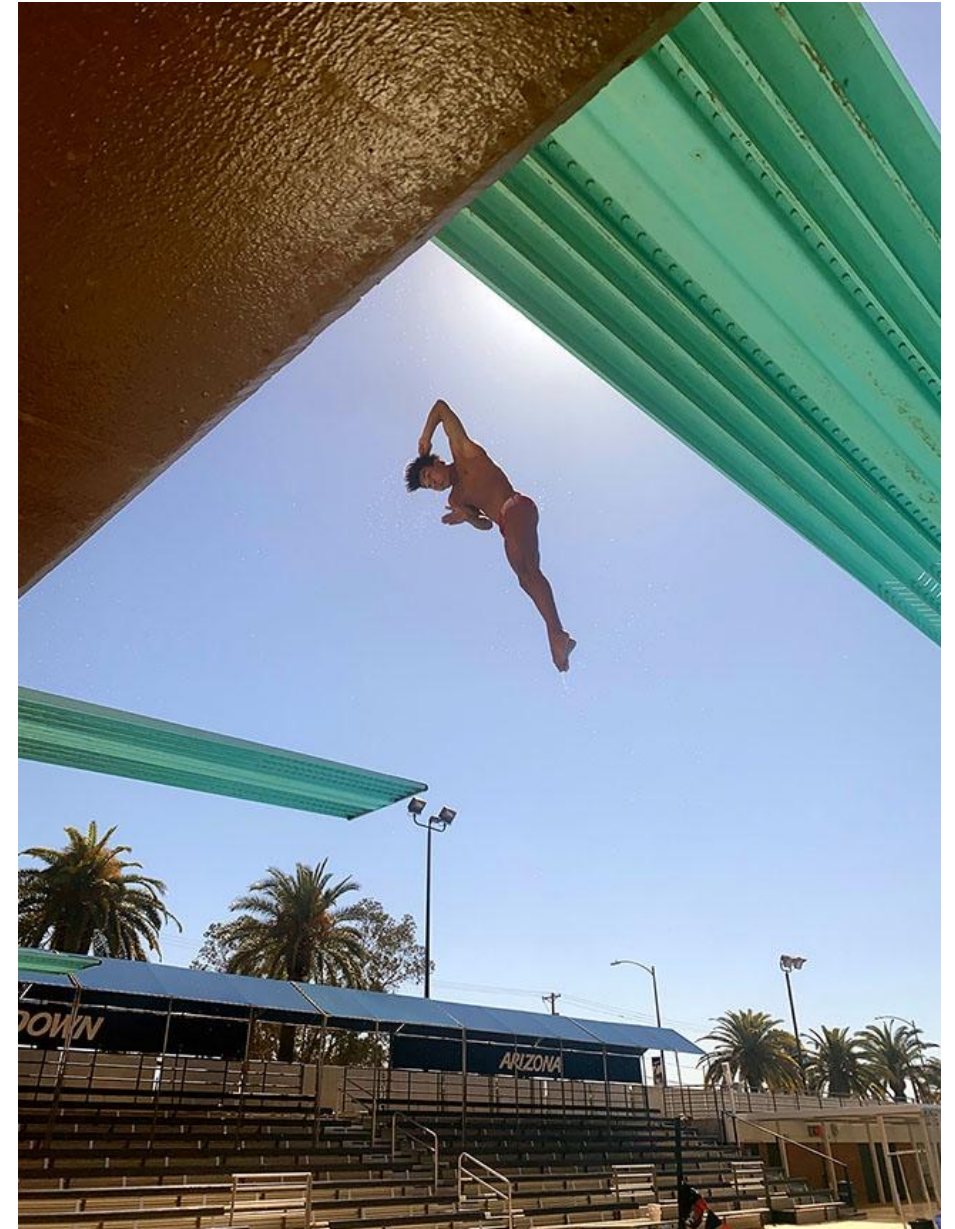
Fall 2021, first place, Arizona football fans

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- **Gracie Sleeman**
Spring 2021,
second place, diver



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- **Payton Rutkowski**

Spring 2021, second place, local market

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- **Teresa Enriquez**

Spring 2022, first place, restaurant workers

Certificate of Merit

Rewards students who distinguish themselves inside and outside the classroom.

- **Asher Bookspan**





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School Media Award

Rewards outstanding work performed for school media, such as the El Inde website, Arizona Cat's Eye and others.

- **Aziz Esmael**

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- **Capri Fain**



Leadership and Service Award

Rewards students making special contributions to the program through their work outside of class.

- **Ana Teresa Espinoza**





Excellence in Research Award

Rewards outstanding research conducted by an undergraduate, a graduate student or an honors student.

- **Julia Blumberg**

Diversity in Journalism Award

Honors students who reported exceptionally on underrepresented communities, conducted advanced scholarship about underrepresented communities or performed extensive outreach to expand knowledge about diverse communities.

- **Wenei Philimon**





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- **Paula Diaz Soet**

Excellence in Science and Environmental Journalism Award

Rewards outstanding journalism in
the areas of science and the
environment.

- **Madison Beal**





Excellence in Broadcast Award

Rewards a body of work produced for broadcast.

- **Jordan Chin**

J.Y. Bryan Prize for Interpretive Photography

Named for the longtime photographer at the Arizona Daily Star and recognizes a photo or body of work that shows a strong news sense.

- **Marison Bilagody**





Excellence in Multimedia Award

Rewards outstanding visual journalism.

- **Sebastian Janik**

Donald Still Award — Arizona Daily Wildcat

Named for the UA graduate who wanted to recognize students who juggle their studies with the demands of working for The Arizona Daily Wildcat — and rewards the top student.

- **JT Thorpe**





Abe Chanin Excellence in Sports Reporting Award

Named for the longtime journalism faculty member and sports editor of the Arizona Daily Star. The award recognizes outstanding sports journalism.

- Delaina Stenchever

William Hattich Professionalism Award

Named for the former owner of The Tombstone Epitaph and Tombstone Daily Prospector. The award honors students who represent the program well outside the classroom.

- **Isabella Maria Barron**





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- **Giorgia Menetre**



Kathryn Anne Governal Perseverance Award

Given to a student who has persevered in the face of difficult challenges. Dr. George and Roberta Governal established the award in honor of their daughter, Kathryn, a University of Arizona Journalism B.A. and M.A. graduate who died in 1999.

- Chris Pirolo



Kathryn Governal





Hugh and Jan Harelson Award for Teaching Excellence

Rewards an instructor, faculty or adjunct, based on nominations from students. Hugh and Jan Harelson, part of the school's Hall of Fame, impacted students through their leadership and philanthropy. Their sons, Matt and Scott, continue to fund the award



Hugh and Jan Harelson Award for Teaching Excellence

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- **Shannon Conner**
Adjunct instructor



Carol and Cecil Schwalbe Staff Award for Outstanding Service

Recognizes a staff member who has performed his or her job meritoriously during the past year.

Alex Parker Reporting Award

Named for a longtime copy editor at the Arizona Daily Star, the award honors strong, tenacious reporting.

- **Sam Burdette**





B.P. Campbell Outstanding Junior Award

Named for the late faculty member and head of the UA journalism program (1956-58). The award recognizes the top member of the junior class.

- **Ella McCarville**

Sherman R. Miller 3rd Outstanding Senior Award

Named for the former faculty member and head of the UA journalism program (1958-67). The award recognizes the top member of the senior class.

- **Diana Ramos**





Philip Mangelsdorf Outstanding Newsperson Award

Named for the late faculty member and head of the UA journalism program (1967-72). The award recognizes the top reporter/journalist in the program.

- **Gloria Gomez**

Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Rewards the top master's students.

- **Mandy Loader**





Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Rewards the top master's students.

- **Julia Blumberg**

Congrats,
graduates!



SPRING 2022 M.A. CANDIDATES

MADISON BEAL

- Project: “Talking Trash: Stories of Pollution on the Santa Cruz River.”

JULIA BLUMBERG

(Bilingual Journalism)

- Project: “Ecologies of Care: How Cross Border Humanitarian Organizations Support Asylum Seekers”

SAM BURDETTE

- Project: “Avian Enthusiasts: An Exploration of Birdwatching in Tucson — the Craft and its Practitioners.”

SEBASTIAN JANIK

- Project: “The Final Skate”
(a documentary film)

KATYA MENDOZA

- Project: “La Milenaria: Developing a Book Proposal”

WENEI PHILIMON

- Project: “Till Shiloh Comes: A Podcast about the Jesus People, Their Music and the Movement”

FALL 2021 M.A. GRADUATES

RANDA SAMIH ABDU

- Project: “Citizens of Two Worlds: Identity Issues among First-Generation Arab-Americans in Tucson”

MANDY LOADER

- Project: “The Human Side of Migration Policy: How U.S. Policies Impact Guatemalan Asylum Seekers at the U.S.-Mexico Border.”

JULIE LUCHETTA

- Project: “Rabbitstick: Lessons in Self-Reliance, Sustainability & Salvation from the Primitive Skills Community”

SPRING 2022 B.A. CANDIDATES

- Balota, Paige Elizabeth
- Barron, Isabella Maria
- Betz, Amanda Marie
- Beveridge, Madison Hungerford
- Bookspan, Asher Alexander
- Bryan, Olivia B.
- Clement, Margaux Andree
- Curry, Taylor Raymond
- Dyer, Johnny Alan
- Epstein, Haley Elizabeth
- Faigus, Jake Michael
- Flood, Emma C
- Flores, Sophia Ariel
- Froitland, Autumn R.
- Jacques, Brendan
- Janos, AJ Jeffrey
- Jobson, Cameron Elizabeth
- Koslow, Ari
- Kosoc, Abbie Amanda
- Lala, CJ Michael
- Leonard, Maxwell
- Lex, David Benjamin
- Lu, Jinqi
- McCaslin, Johnny Douglas
- McCormick, Madison Mae
- McVeigh, Quinn Alexander
- Mennuti, Jacob Christopher
- Nelson, Bellah
- Peterson, Emma Hames
- Pirolo, Chris
- Potts, Ryan Scott
- Reyna, Arianna I.
- Rivera, Jenna Nicole
- Russell, Chloe Georgia
- Sciortino, Alaina Michelle
- Smith, Jenna Marie
- Stenchever, Delaina Mae
- Strano, Julianna Michell
- Wales, Austin John
- Yares, Karl O.

SUMMER 2022 B.A. CANDIDATES

- Adan, Elise Marie
- Alvarado, Christian Alexander
- Arias, Lizette
- Dominguez, Katie Elise
- Fain, Capri Arden
- Gillman, Sam Parker
- Gomez, Frida Sophia
- Martinez, Alexzandria Dolores
- Recupero, Caroline Rose
- Savic, Bryan
- Sternad, Justin Anthony
- Vilasevic, Adin
- Dryden, Brody Evan
- Encinas, Amaris
- Grano, Gabriel Alejandro
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- Hislop, Chloe Jacqueline
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- Lore, Maxwell Hogan
- McClean, Jack Wellington
- McComb, Nathan James
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- Squire, Amanda Lee
- Verdugo, Elvia

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FALL 2021 B.A. GRADUATES

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- Green, Ian Michael
- Holland, Sunday Joyahnnah
- Moore, Russell Beresford
- Phan, Mekayla Mae
- Acosta, Yasmin Guadalupe
- Aguilar, Itsel Jacqueline
- Bartsch, Jillian Elizabeth
- Cobian, Gabriella Michelle

Thank you, Mike!

Michael McKisson

- Interim Director and Associate Professor of Practice



Scholarships

- Generous donations by alumni and friends enable the UA School of Journalism to award thousands of dollars in scholarships to students each year.



Arizona Daily Star Scholarship

Funded by Tucson's daily newspaper to assist students pursuing a degree in journalism.

- **Catherine Hill**



Edith Auslander Scholarship

Funded by an anonymous donor and named for a UA journalism graduate and former faculty member who was inducted into the School of Journalism and NAHJ Hall of Fames.

- **Ella McCarville**



John R. Barnett Scholarship

Named for the late UA alum, Daily Wildcat reporter and Wall Street Journal editor. The award honors a top performer in school media.

- **Capri Fain**



- **Diana Ramos**



John G. Carlton Memorial Scholarship

Named for a longtime journalism teacher at Tucson's Catalina High School who helped launch the careers of hundreds of journalists, including many UA alums.

- **Ella McCarville**



Concerned Media Professionals Scholarship

Selected by a group of Tucson media professionals to promote diversity in newsrooms.



• **Emma Brocato**



• **Dani Cazares**



• **Catherine Hill**



• **Isabela Gamez**



• **Mar Ruiz Barraza**

Bernice Cosulich Scholarship

Named for the former Arizona Daily Star feature writer, political reporter and expert on Arizona history.

- **Theresa Palmquist**



D.C. “Darn Cat” Scholarship

Named for UA journalism graduates Mildred and Gordon Gordon, the couple who wrote 20 novels, including “That Darn Cat,” which was made into a Disney movie.

- **Bryan Savic**



Steve Emerine Scholarship

Named for a Tucson journalist and UA journalism faculty member with a keen interest in public affairs reporting. Journalism alumna Kimberly Kayler started the scholarship.

- **Tatyana Johnson**



Richard Gilman Scholarship

Named for a UA journalism graduate and Hall of Fame inductee who was publisher of The Boston Globe when it won the 2003 Pulitzer Prize for Public Service for its series on sexual abuse by priests.

- **Dani Cazares**



Hank Hubbard Scholarship

Named for a longtime TV news journalist and intended for students interested in broadcast or investigative journalism.

- **Theresa Palmquist**



Petty Daum Judge Scholarship

Named for a UA journalism graduate who was the longtime food editor of the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

- **Megan Ewing**

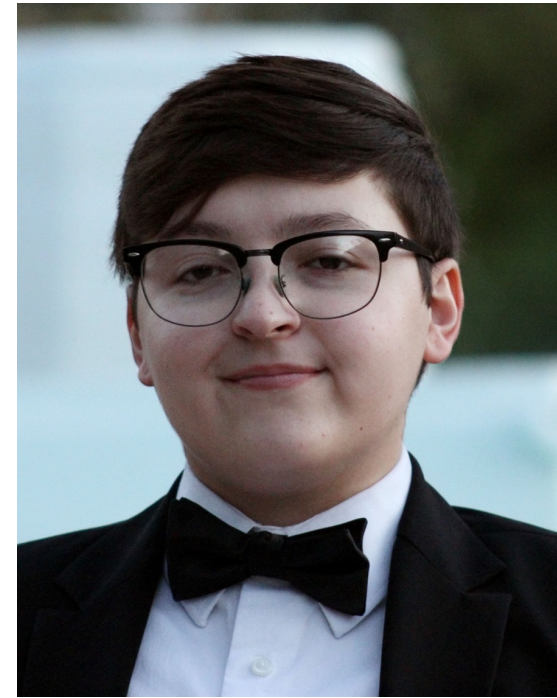


Ruth A. and Donovan M. Kramer Sr. Entrepreneurial Scholarship

Named for the couple who published newspapers in Arizona. Assists students with an entrepreneurial spirit and a true understanding of the importance of journalism.



• **Mar Ruiz Barraza**



• **JT Thorpe**

Sara and Harold Love Scholarship

Named for two tireless supporters of the Tombstone community and assists students working on school media.

- **Frida Gomez**



Douglas D. Martin Scholarship

Named for the author, Pulitzer Prize winner and founder of the UA journalism program in 1951.

- **Devin Lagarde**



Bob & Nancy Maynard Diversity in Journalism Scholarship

Honors the late pioneering African American journalists Robert C. Maynard and his wife, Nancy Hicks Maynard, who had close ties to the UA School of Journalism through the Editing Program for Minority Journalists, which was held at the university for 20 years.

- **Devin Lagarde**



William Milburn Memorial Scholarship

Benefits students with above-average scholastic standing.

- **Devin Lagarde**



Lois R. Nelson Scholarship

For an upper-division student with academic achievement and commitment to nonfiction writing, editing or other journalism.

- **Ella McCarville**



ODD Environmental & Science Multimedia Scholarship

The Olesen Davis de Dios (ODD) scholarship recognizes the efforts of Director Carol Schwalbe in creating and building out the science journalism program. Given to a student interested in science reporting using longform multimedia storytelling.

- **Emma Brocato**



Rocky Mountain Southwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Scholarship

Recognizes students majoring in journalism with a broadcast emphasis.

- **Devin Legarde**



Jon Ruby Scholarship

Named for the longtime vice president and general manager at Tucson's KVOA-TV.

- **Devin Lagarde**



Stephanie C. Samoy Scholarship

Benefits a student in need in honor of retired Prof. Edith Sayre Auslander



• **Isabela Gamez**



• **Vanessa Lucero**

Society of Professional Journalists Scholarship

Funded by the organization dedicated to the perpetuation of a free press.

- **JT Thorpe**



Frank O. Sotomayor Scholarship

Named for a UA journalism graduate and editor at the Los Angeles Times to benefit a student in the school's M.A. in Bilingual Journalism program.

- **Vanessa Lucero**

