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New Global News Scholarship to be awarded in September 2022

The University of King's College and Global News announce the launch of the Global News Scholarship, a renewable award open to a Black student entering the four-year <u>Bachelor of Journalism (Honours)</u> <u>program</u> in September 2022. Valued at \$12,000, the Scholarship provides \$3,000 of assistance each year.

This is the second time that Global News has funded a scholarship to support Black students at King's School of Journalism. In 2020, Global News worked with King's to create the <u>Global News Journalism</u> Award to support the development of diversity in journalism and the newsroom.

"Global News is committed to supporting young Black journalists in Canada, creating opportunities for diverse voices in media that reflect our communities," says Rhonda Brown, the News Director and Station Manager at Global News Halifax and Global News New Brunswick. "We're delighted to be working with the University of King's College to support aspiring Black journalists."

In addition to financial support, the recipient will receive the opportunity for mentorship throughout their four years in the journalism program. They will work one-on-one with experienced Black journalists at Global News. This aspect makes the Global News Scholarship a particularly desirable opportunity.

<u>Tim Currie, Director of the School of Journalism</u>, acknowledges that lack of diversity is a problem in journalism schools and Canadian newsrooms. Currie stresses the importance of opportunities such as this one for prospective Black journalism students.

"It's clear that neither journalism schools nor Canadian newsrooms have been filled with a representative population of reporters. This scholarship is an important collaborative effort to diversify the number of students in the King's Journalism School, and by extension, the number of Black working journalists. We are pleased to be in partnership with Global News for this initiative." Currie adds that this scholarship and the mentorship associated with it offer an "excellent opportunity for aspiring Black journalists, and a chance for the recipient to succeed and enjoy their time at the school."

To be considered, the Black student must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident and demonstrate academic excellence and involvement in their community.

Interested students are encouraged to visit the major scholarships section of the <u>undergraduate</u> <u>scholarships page</u> for more information on how to apply.

About Global News

Global News offers Canadians from coast to coast a host of news and information—from breaking news in their community to engaging content that puts complex world issues in perspective. Leveraging the strength of 21 local newsrooms across the country, Global News tells stories in ways that make a difference, delivering news to Canadians across all platforms—wherever and whenever they want: on TV, radio and online. Global News is a Corus Entertainment network.

About the University of King's College

Established in 1789, King's College is Canada's oldest chartered university and is associated with Dalhousie University. A small and extraordinarily lively academic community located in Halifax, (Kjipuktuk) Nova Scotia, King's is known nationally and internationally for its highly acclaimed interdisciplinary programs in the humanities, including its renowned Foundation Year Program, its professional programs in journalism and its fine arts program in creative writing. www.ukings.ca

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