

NEWS APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Purpose:

- To develop strong newsroom leadership skills for those interested in the behind the scenes editorial opportunities
- To attract a diverse pool of talented individuals who will contribute to our story selection and execution

About the Program

The Program will expose candidates to the various disciplines of broadcast journalism from the assignment desk to newscast writing and producing, promotion writing, news editing to special projects. Apprentices will be working side by side with News Department professionals, learning their craft and gaining valuable experience and knowledge. This is truly a unique opportunity for a 2012 college graduate who has a serious interest in pursuing a career in TV News. We are seeking individuals who are looking to work “behind the camera” with an ultimate goal to be part of a Newsroom management team.

Each News Apprenticeship will be of a six-month duration. Candidates who are selected will be paid an hourly rate of pay - from **\$12.00 per hour**. The station will make every effort to find employment for those candidates who successfully complete the program either within the station where the apprenticeship took place or at another CBS Television Station. However, successful completion of the program does not necessarily guarantee future employment. Apprentices will be considered “at will” employees and the Program can end at any time during the six-month period at the Station’s sole discretion.

Qualifications/Requirements

- Candidates must be graduating Spring 2012.
- Only those individuals who are highly motivated and are self-starters need apply.
- While a degree in communications or journalism is not required, strong writing skills are essential. Candidates will be required to take a broadcast writing test and will be asked to submit, with their application,

a one-page, single spaced essay on why they have chosen Broadcast Journalism as a career.

- Participation in college radio/TV stations/newspapers or literary magazines will be taken into account. Also, membership in any professional organizations such as RTNDA or other Journalist Associations will be considered.

How to Apply:

Please send to:

Email: Jkteichmann@cbs.com

Or mail to

WBZ News Apprenticeship
1170 Soldiers Field Rd
Boston, MA 02134

News Apprenticeship Program

APPLICATION FORM

Last name

First

Initial

Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code)

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Indicate your market preferences, i.e. Denver, Miami: _____

Education (Schools and/or Training Programs)

Name	Location (City/State)	Major Subject	Year Graduated
High School			
College			
Graduate School			
Business/Special Training			

Please list any work experience, including summer or part-time jobs, you may have had during high school / college. Use this section to provide information on any internship in which you have participated or any unpaid media work experience, i.e. campus radio station, newspaper, etc.

Employment History (Please begin with present/most recent employer.)

Employer's Name	Address
Supervisor's Name	Telephone No.
Position/duties	
Dates Employed From ____/____ (MM/YY) to ____/____ (MM/YY)	
Employer's Name	Address
Supervisor's Name	Telephone No.
Position/duties	
Dates Employed From ____/____ (MM/YY) to ____/____ (MM/YY)	
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Check professional organization membership:

RTNDA ____ SPJ ____ IRTS ____ NAHJ ____ NABJ ____ NAJA ____ AAJA ____

Additional Information:

(Please include any additional information you wish to include with your application, i.e. applicable course work, awards, special skills or accomplishments, etc.)

Signature

Date

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SELF-IDENTIFICATION FORM

Federal laws and regulations require us to report on our workforce by race, gender, and veteran status and to offer the opportunity for self-identification as to disabilities. Please assist us by completing this form. **YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION.**

Last Name: _____

Date: _____

First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____

Gender: Please place a check mark next to the appropriate category.

Male

Female

Race/National Origin: Please place a check mark next to the appropriate category.

White (Not of Hispanic Origin)

American Indian/Alaskan Native

Black (Not of Hispanic Origin)

Hispanic

Asian/Pacific Islander

Veteran Status: Please place a check mark next to the appropriate category.

I am a special disabled veteran.

I am a veteran of the Vietnam Era.

I served on active duty during a war or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized.

I am a newly separated veteran.

Disability Status:

I am an individual with a disability.

I have received this form and decline to provide the requested information.

Essay: Why I've chosen Broadcast Journalism as a career.

Name: _____