

Caucasus School of Journalism and Media Management at GIPA

Two-year English-language master's degree program in journalism and media management

Twenty students, selected through competition in the Caucasus and Central Asia, will be trained to assume news and management positions at newspapers, news agencies, broadcast outlets and Web-based publications. Instruction will be provided by American, European and Caucasian journalists and scholars. The program runs two years, and will be offered in four semesters from October 2010 to May 2012. Tuition waivers and financial assistance available upon well substantiated request.

The curriculum is based on a hands-on, experiential approach, using the latest techniques of fact-based, professional reporting and writing for both print and broadcast media. Students have access to a computer laboratory, the Internet, photo, audio and video broadcast equipment and a journalism library. The students will publish a student newspaper, Brosse Street Journal, and its web version, www.bsj.ge. Student will produce radio content for GIPA FM Radio. For international students, two semesters of the program will be held at their home countries. The core program, the defense of a thesis / final project and the graduation will be held in Georgia.

The journalism faculty and curriculum for the school will be provided by the International Center for Journalists (ICFJ), with the cooperation from Louisiana State University. The program is funded by the U.S. Department of State and the Open Society Institute. Supplementary funding and in-kind assistance is available from the Embassies of France, Great Britain and Poland.

Deadline for application in Armenia is September 30, 2010

ENTRANCE TESTS:

- English language test (valid TOEFL score accepted)
- Interview with the selection committee

APPLICANTS MUST HAVE:

- Bachelor's or master's degree; previous training or education in journalism not required
- Good command of English
- Commitment to pro-active journalism

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED:

For English-language program:

For application forms or details on admission, please contact to Suren Deheryan, coordinator in Armenia by e-mail: deheryan@gmail.com or cell: (+37493) 539-334

AREAS COVERED IN THE CURRICULUM INCLUDE:

- Principles of Journalism
- Reporting and Writing
- Professional Standards and Ethics of Journalism
- Design, and publication and photo journalism
- Web reporting
- Business, election/ political, conflict, energy / environmental reporting
- Television production theory and practice
- Radio fundamentals
- Media management
- Role of Advertising
- Economics
- English-language training
- Computer training
- Writing in English and Georgian

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