



SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCE

SHELAGH STANLEY BEST NEWS WRITER AWARD

CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY

No applications are required or requested.

Several considerations may be taken into account by the selection committee when choosing the award recipient.

To be selected for the Shelagh Stanley Best News Writer Award, students *must*:

- Successfully complete the first year of the Applied Communication Program.
- Demonstrate the ability to produce news writing for publication.
- Demonstrate strong interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrate personal initiative.
- Attain high academic achievement.
- Demonstrate the ability to work effectively with others, and to strive for excellence.

Value: Varies annually

Donor: Margaret McDougall

Born in Winnipeg in 1945, Shelagh Stanley's journalism career began as a reporter for the Kingston Whig-Standard in Ontario. She became news editor and city editor there before moving to Toronto to become the features editor for Canadian Living and later, the managing editor of Select Homes magazine.

After moving to Victoria, Shelagh worked briefly for the Times-Colonist and then went on to a successful career as a communications officer for various B.C. government ministries. Shelagh shared her love of journalism with Applied Communication students, teaching the ACP writing classes from 1994 to 2003. She reluctantly gave this up when she became too ill to teach.

Shelagh passed away November 20, 2004. Her mother, Margaret McDougall, was instrumental in creating this award to honour Shelagh's memory and encourage aspiring journalists within the Applied Communication Program.