

I. ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Journey program is an annually organized intensive 10-day summer course in journalism focused on offering participants unique experience through interactive seminars and workshops conducted by professional journalists, editors and media experts from world's most renowned news outlets and agencies such as BBC, CNN, the New York Times, Reuters or the Wall Street Journal.

The course will be taking place **August 4-14, 2018** in Prague, Czech Republic. Working language of the program is English.

II. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The program focuses on best practices and standards of modern-day journalism. Students will undergo series of workshops on current trends and tools used in reporting, data collection and analysis, investigative journalism and many more aspects of modern media work. Students will also test their skills in practical exercises under the guidance from experienced editors including a two-day real-time field reporting simulation.

By the end of the program, students should be able to more confidently report and write breaking news as well as produce long-form stories while adhering to the highest ethical standards. Students will learn to create news content for various platforms, work with experienced editors and deliver stories under strict deadlines. Each student will also be required to pitch, report and write a long-form story on an assigned theme.

III. CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION PROCESS

The program is designed for applicants who are current students of journalism, media studies or related fields, and who will have successfully completed a minimum of two semesters of their college/university education by August 2018. In addition, applicants must have an overall good academic standing and a very good command of English language. Professional experience in the field is welcome but not required.

Only citizens of the following countries are eligible to apply: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Ukraine, United Kingdom and the USA. Applicants must have a passport valid until September 2019 and be able to travel to the Czech Republic.

Online application can be found on the Bakala Foundation website (the direct link is <http://journey2018.bakalafoundation.org/>). Each applicant will be asked to provide personal data, official transcript of records, CV, personal statement and a project proposal on this year's topic – "Populism".

The application must be submitted by **Sunday, May 6, 2018**.

IV. SCHOLARSHIP

All successful applicants will receive a full scholarship covering board and accommodation, travel expenses, transfers within Prague and all study materials needed during the course.

For additional information please visit our website. www.bakalafoundation.org or contact Ms. Petra Judova at judova@bakalafoundation.org