**The henry wefing journalism Scholarship**

**Application Guidelines**

**Application for 2016-2017 Academic Year**

The **Henry Wefing Journalism Scholarship** honors the memory of beloved Professor Henry Wefing who began teaching at Westfield State in 1985, and taught until he became ill in the fall of 2014. He was the key faculty member in the Communication Department’s journalism and writing courses as well as the bridge between the journalism programs in the English and Communication Departments. Professor Wefing, a veteran reporter and editor before turning to teaching, believed strongly that ***a journalist in any medium should strive to be fair, accurate, and curious as a reporter and an imaginative storyteller as a writer.***

**Award Details:**

Recipient receives a one-time, non-renewable award for the 2016-2017 Academic Year

**Eligibility:**

Applicants must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate day or DGCE program at Westfield State Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Preference will be given to students with an interest in Journalism or related fields and majoring in Communication or English

**Applicant’s Personal Information:**

(Current WSU Students Only) Student ID #

Name: Social Security #:

Campus/Local Address:

Home Address:

Home Phone Number: Campus Phone Number:

Major: Minor: G.P.A.:

Date Entered WSU: Expected Year of Graduation:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Application Must Include:**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_This cover sheet \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Most recent official transcript \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Essay of 500 words.

**Essay Guidelines:**

Please submit an essay that demonstrates how you envision the positive journalistic values espoused by Professor Henry Wefing will inform your future career. Your essay may refer to your prior experience as a journalist, if applicable, or your observations about journalism and what you hope to accomplish in the future. Please limit your essay to 500 or fewer words.

**Return completed application form to:**

Westfield State Foundation, Inc. Attention: Lisa McMahon, P.O. Box 1630, 2 Broad St., Westfield, MA

01086-1630. ***It must be*** ***postmarked by Thursday, March 31, 2016.***

I certify that all the information I have given is true and accurate, and I give Westfield State University and the Westfield State Foundation Scholarship Committee permission to release my name if I am awarded a scholarship.

Applicant’s Signature: Date: