

The 2024 Columbia-Nikkei journalism scholarship awarded to Xinlin Jiang

December 5, 2024 - Columbia Journalism School and Nikkei Inc. have named Xinlin Jiang as the 2024-25 Nikkei Scholar. The \$100,000 scholarship is awarded annually to an exceptional journalism school candidate who is a resident of Asia and plans to specialize in data or business reporting. Nikkei Inc. is the parent company of the Financial Times, the publisher of the Nikkei and Nikkei Asia.

“Because of this scholarship, I have the chance to get the best journalism education in the world,” Jiang said. “Receiving this award has motivated me to hold myself to the highest standards. I’m committed to amplifying the voices of underrepresented communities and inspiring others with the passion and knowledge I gain here.”



Jiang, 23, who hails from Chengdu, in China’s Sichuan Province, graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2024, where she double-majored in Communication Arts and Journalism, earning a certificate in digital media analytics. While at UW-Madison, Jiang served as a research assistant for the Computational Approaches and Message Effects Research Group, worked as a student communicator at University Communications, and led as Editor-in-Chief at Madnews, a news outlet for Chinese students in Madison. Her reporting series, “Asian Hate in Madison,” garnered a first place award for individual multimedia storytelling in the 2023 MBJA Eric Sevareid Awards.

The Columbia-Nikkei Scholarship was established in 2017 to fund exemplary candidates who wish to specialize in data and business journalism. Students who are residents of Asia with an interest in the M.S. Data Journalism or M.A. Business and Economics concentration will be considered for the Columbia-Nikkei Scholarship.

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About Columbia Journalism School

For more than a century, the school has been preparing journalists in programs that stress academic rigor, ethics, journalistic inquiry and professional practice. Founded with a gift from Joseph Pulitzer, the school opened its doors in 1912. It offers a Master of Science, Master of Arts, a joint Master of Science degree in Computer Science and Journalism, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Communications. It houses the Columbia Journalism Review, the Brown Institute for

Media Innovation, the Tow Center for Digital Journalism, and the Dart Center for Journalism and Trauma. In addition to the Pulitzer Prizes, the school administers many of the leading journalism awards, including the Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Awards, the Maria Moors Cabot Prizes, the John Chancellor Award, the John B. Oakes Award for Distinguished Environmental Journalism, the Dart Awards for Excellence in Coverage of Trauma, the Paul Tobenkin Memorial Award, and the Mike Berger Award.

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About Nikkei

Nikkei Inc. is a world-renowned media brand for Asian news, respected for quality journalism and for being a trusted provider of business news and information. Founded as a market news provider in Japan in 1876, Nikkei has grown into one of the world's largest media corporations, with 37 foreign editorial bureaus and approximately 1,500 journalists worldwide. Nikkei acquired the UK-based Financial Times in 2015. Our combined digital and print circulation totals about 2.3 million, and we are continually deploying new technologies to increase our readership.

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