This is Nader Issa with the *Asian American Journalists Association*'s <u>Sports Task Force</u>. As the name suggests, we are a group of Asian American sports journalists/media professionals who came together years ago to create a support network for and develop a pipeline of Asian American sports reporters and professionals. We are deeply committed to diversity, equity and inclusion in the sports media industry and believe representation can go a long way to making those ideals a reality.

Every year, we offer several opportunities for financial support and hands-on industry experience to students and early career professionals. We're thrilled to let your journalism program know that <u>our 2023 scholarships, fellowships and internships are now open for applications!</u> We hope you can connect your students and alumni with these great opportunities so they can take advantage of our support.

## Al Young Sports Journalism Scholarship

• The awardee will receive \$2,000 in honor of Al Young, a longtime member and ardent supporter of AAJA who is an Asian American pioneer in sports media and is dedicated to empowering the voices of Asian American journalists.

## • Jimmie & Suey Fong Yee Fellowship

- Two awardees a current college student and a young professional pursuing sports journalism and media as a career will receive \$750 each to pitch and produce a print, digital, audio or visual story about Asian Americans in sports, plus free registration for the annual AAJA National Convention.
- The Sports Task Force will work with recipients to get the stories published at an outlet.

## Michael Kim Broadcast Fellowship

• A sports broadcast journalist who has less than three years of professional experience will receive \$2,000 to support career pursuits in honor of Michael Kim, the godfather of AAJA's Sports Task Force and a pioneer for Asian Americans in sports broadcast journalism.

## AAJA STF Bleacher Report Social Content Internship

- A junior or senior in college or a graduate student will work with Bleacher Report's award-winning creative team to develop content for the sports outlet's social media platforms.
- In addition to the paid internship, the intern will receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

The deadline to apply for our scholarships/opportunities is 11:59 p.m. PT on Monday, Jan. 30.