

New Mexico Press Women Announces Scholarship Winners

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New Mexico Press Women is pleased to announce the 2020 winners of the Doris Gregory Memorial Scholarship Award. Recipients were evaluated based on their career goals, essay, work samples, academic progress and faculty or employer support. The Northern Chapter of New Mexico Press Women made an additional contribution to the scholarship to honor their member Deb Farson, who passed in 2019.

Annalisa Miller

The first place 2020 scholarship winner of \$1000 is Annalisa Miller, who as a sophomore is majoring in Agricultural Communications and minoring in Journalism and Mass Communications at New Mexico State University. Miller serves as an assistant coordinator in New Mexico Agricultural Leadership. With a passion for agricultural advocacy, Miller manages the organization's social media, designs newsletters, and recruits new members. She is also a past president of the New Mexico Future Farmers of America Association (FFA). Her professor praised her ability to balance the demands of school, service responsibilities and work. Last fall, she completed a media relations internship at the Northern International Livestock Exposition.



Luis Rios

The second place 2020 Doris Gregory Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Luis Rios, who receives \$500. Rios is on the staff of the NMSU student news website, The Round Up, and is interested in pursuing a career in investigative reporting, either in print media or broadcasting. His editors praised Rios for his drive, dedication and passion to reporting and journalism. "I am very proud to say that he will be one of New Mexico's leading investigative journalists in the near future," says Round Up Editor-in-Chief Alanna Herrera.



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New Mexico's largest inclusive media organization is open to both men and women. It is an affiliate of the National Federation of Press Women, providing professional development, networking and First Amendment rights protection to professional journalists and communicators. This year's scholarship chair, Jessica Savage, is the Senior Scholarship Advisor for the College of Arts and Sciences at New Mexico State University. She is a long-time New Mexico Press Women member who in 2018 received the organization's highest honor, Communicator of Achievement.