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Student journalists to cover the Olympics

As the 29th Summer Olympiad approaches, a handful of students from the School of Journalism are making travel plans for Beijing, where they'll cover the games Aug. 6–24. MU is one of 13 universities recruiting and training student interns for the Olympic News Service.

In addition to writing press conference highlights, students will work with the international press corps to collect quotes from athletes and officials. Interns will learn about their host nation in part by taking a Chinese Life and Culture course during their weeks in China before the games begin.

Six universities in Beijing are providing housing for the volunteers, including Renmin University of China, where Mizzou's students will live. An MU faculty member will be on hand in Beijing to oversee the students.

“The Beijing Olympics program provides Missouri students a unique opportunity to gain practical experience while working at a prestigious event and experiencing a different culture,” says Fritz Cropp, director of international programs for the J-School. “Our participation is consistent with the experiential philosophy of the Missouri School of Journalism and with our continued efforts to provide global opportunities for students.”

About one in four journalism undergraduate students has an international experience before graduation. Journalism students can choose from 18 programs in 14 countries.



A handful of students will leave the School of Journalism's Neff Hall to cover the Olympics.

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