

2026 Student Keystone Media Award Winners - DI
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Division	Award	Category Name	College or University	Credits	Entry Title
I	First Place	General News	Temple University - The Temple News	Evelyn Blower	How admissions lost dozens of staff members within two years
I	Second Place	General News	Temple University - Journalism Dept.	Leila Oyeku	Staff shortages keep some Philly libraries closed on Saturdays
I	Honorable Mention	General News	Temple University - Journalism Dept.	Robert Yu-Tian Hsu	Philadelphia Residents Organize Against the Threat of National Guard Deployment
I	First Place	Ongoing News Coverage	Penn State Main - The Daily Collegian	Pragya Sinha, Teresa Phelan, Alexandra Antonio, Noah Aberegg, Alex Fischer & Mia Lopez	Penn State Board of Trustees votes to close 7 Commonwealth campuses
I	Second Place	Ongoing News Coverage	University of Pittsburgh - The Pitt News	Spencer Levering, Sydney Krasniewski & Naomi Weiss	Student Organization Suspended over event on campus
I	Honorable Mention	Ongoing News Coverage	Drexel University - The Triangle	Daniel Epstein & Samuel Gregg	University Forced Closure of Beloved Local Food Truck
I	First Place	Public Service/Enterprise Package	Temple University's Logan Center for Urban Investigative Reporting	Gianna Voges	Children of Undocumented Immigrants Plan For the Worst
I	Second Place	Public Service/Enterprise Package	Penn State Main - The Daily Collegian	Noah Aberegg	'It's a disgrace, it's embarrassing' Fencers express concerns with coach Matteo Zennaro
I	Honorable Mention	Public Service/Enterprise Package	Temple University - The Temple News	Leah Duffy, Valeria Uribe, Bradley McEntee, Madelynne Ferro & Tellicia Walker	Lacking resources leads Philadelphia youth to gather on campus
I	First Place	Feature Story	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Daniela White	"We Are,' but why am I not?'

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I	Second Place	Feature Story	University of Penn - The Daily Pennsylvanian	Jasmine Ni & Ethan Young	Penn Police digitally surveilled student in vandalism investigation, search warrants reveal
I	Honorable Mention	Feature Story	Temple University - Journalism Dept.	Morgan Ritter	The Light We Hold: Inside a Philly Community Gathering of Art and Grief
I	First Place	Personality Profile	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Alexandra Wenskoski	The Yodeling Cowboy who still races sprint cars past 90
I	Second Place	Personality Profile	University of Pittsburgh - The Pitt News	Matthew Scabilloni & Sara Meyer	The new normal: Pitt athletes reflect on changing landscape of women's sports
I	Honorable Mention	Personality Profile	Temple University - The Temple News	Madelynne Ferro	Former 76ers mascot hip-hops back to the court
I	First Place	Sports Story	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Greg Finberg	Time Out
I	Second Place	Sports Story	University of Penn - The Daily Pennsylvanian	Valeri Guevarra & Sean McKeown	How three former Penn swimmers came together to sue the University
I	Honorable Mention	Sports Story	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Amanda Vogt	Little League Town USA: Irmo, South Carolina
I	First Place	Editorial	University of Penn - The Daily Pennsylvanian	Staff	Penn descends into fascism; Penn must not sign the compact; Penn took step one. Now, it's time for more
I	Second Place	Editorial	Penn State Main - The Daily Collegian	Teresa Phelan	Penn State campus closures undermine its land-grant mission
I	Honorable Mention	Editorial	Temple University - The Temple News	Editorial Board	Temple, create an action plan for international students
I	First Place	Column	University of Penn - The Daily Pennsylvanian	Diya Choksey	Diya-logues

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I	Second Place	Column	Penn State Main - The Daily Collegian	Elbia Vidal Castillo	Cultural diversity isn't a threat, but the foundation
I	Honorable Mention	Column	University of Pittsburgh - The Pitt News	Tessa Powers	When death becomes a political weapon
I	First Place	Review	University of Pittsburgh - The Pitt News	Maxine Van Nortwick	Not For Radio constructs a dark, whimsical world of self-exploration with debut album 'Melt'
I	Second Place	Review	West Chester University - The Quad	Elijah Fischer	Send in the Clowns: A Review of Three Shows From the 2025 Philly Fringe Festival
I	First Place	Cartoon/Graphic Illustration	Temple University - The Temple News	Sofia Lydecker	Stumbling out of the closet
I	Second Place	Cartoon/Graphic Illustration	Temple University - The Temple News	Daniya Eggleston	Spiritual visit from a teacher
I	Honorable Mention	Cartoon/Graphic Illustration	Drexel University - The Triangle	Daniel Epstein	Drexel's Declining Enrollment but Increasing Tuition
I	First Place	Sports Photo	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Christopher Eutsler	Sack Celebration
I	Second Place	Sports Photo	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Caleb Craig	Little League World Series Jubilation
I	Honorable Mention	Sports Photo	University of Penn - The Daily Pennsylvanian	Kenny Chen	Penn Relays - Kingston Crossing the Finish Line
I	First Place	Feature Photo	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Alexandra Antoniono	Night to Shine
I	Second Place	Feature Photo	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Alexandra Antoniono	Child's play at the Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts
I	Honorable Mention	Feature Photo	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Nicholas Just	Ice at Whipple Dam State Park
I	First Place	News Photo	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Alexandra Antoniono	Philadelphia Eagles Fans Celebrate Super Bowl Victory
I	Second Place	News Photo	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Alexandra Antoniono	The Counter Protester

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I	First Place	Photo Story	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Joe Klein	Keeping history current
I	Second Place	Photo Story	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Nia Meyers	Where hope still lies
I	Honorable Mention	Photo Story	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Kyra Birmingham	Heart of the champions
I	First Place	Layout and Design	Temple University - The Temple News	Jack Larson, Jared Tatz, Victoria Befumo & Lillian Prieto	Temple University in 24 Hours Magazine Special
I	Second Place	Layout and Design	Penn State Main - The Daily Collegian	Geraldine Cruz, Kahlie Wray, Jonathon Chiu, Mercedes Hamilton, Andrew Deal & Teresa Phelan	Daily Collegian Hispanic Heritage Month Edition Newspaper
I	First Place	Website	Temple University - Philadelphia Neighborhoods	Staff	https://philadelphianeighborhoods.com/
I	Second Place	Website	Temple University - The Temple News	Sidney Rochnik, Anna Augustine & Valeria Uribe	https://temple-news.com/
I	First Place	Video Story	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Jindong Tian	A night in the car
I	Second Place	Video Story	Temple University - Philadelphia Neighborhoods	Stacy Landrum & Neil Ortiz	Special Report: Guns and Control in Philly Area
I	Honorable Mention	Video Story	Temple University - Journalism Dept.	Colt Gunn	8 Seconds Rodeo Rides Proudly Into Philadelphia
I	First Place	Podcast	Penn State Main - ComMedia	Owen Klein, Savannah Barr & Emma Tyger	Lions Adapt - Episode 2: The Indomitable Israeli
I	Second Place	Podcast	Temple University's Logan Center for Urban Investigative Reporting	Sebastiana Lopez	Fear Creeps Into The Italian Market
I	Honorable Mention	Podcast	Temple University - Journalism Dept.	Jolie Richards	Federal Cuts End Philadelphia's SNAP-Ed Nutrition Program
I	First Place	Excellence in Reporting on Diversity- Equity and Inclusion	Temple University's Logan Center for Urban Investigative Reporting	Gloria Chuma	Too Afraid to Celebrate

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I	Honorable Mention	Excellence in Reporting on Diversity- Equity and Inclusion	University of Penn - The Daily Pennsylvanian	Staff	UPenn Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Rollback
I	First Place	Best Newscast (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Staff	Centre County Report: October 24, 2025
I	Second Place	Best Newscast (Broadcast)	Temple University, Temple Update	Charly Schultz, Shayla Cotterman, Dylan Steinberg, Sean Gravely, Christian Lee & Lauren Haley Morris	Temple Update, November 6, 2025
I	Honorable Mention	Best Newscast (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Staff	Centre County Report: April 4, 2025
I	First Place	Best Spot News Coverage (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Giselle Jones	What's next for Penn State Football: James Franklin fired
I	First Place	Best Feature (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Sarah Grosch	Beloved mailman delivers decades of memories in new book
I	Second Place	Best Feature (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Eva Hines	Women run business celebrates 35 years
I	Honorable Mention	Best Feature (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Cailey Thalman	The Man Behind the Mural
I	First Place	Best Public Service (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Lauren Reehl	SCI Rockview's Potential Closure Sparks Strong Reactions
I	Second Place	Best Public Service (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Sarah Grosch	Fighting to Survive: PA volunteer fire companies battle funding and staffing challenges

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I	First Place	Best Sports Coverage (Broadcast)	Penn State - Centre County Report	Cailey Thalman	Penn State Deals with Coaching Changes and Challenges