

Georgia Tech

Board of Student Publications

Application for Editor of *The Tower*

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Academic Major: _____

GPA: _____ Last Year's GPA: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

Please prepare a proposal, in a format of your choice, explaining why you are qualified to be editor of *The Tower*. Your proposal should cover the following topics:

1. Previous employment history, including work on any other publications.
2. Previous work experience in undergraduate research. Describe your technical experience with desktop publishing software.
3. Other outside interests including social, community or professional organizations, hobbies, or special abilities and talents. How would you balance the rigorous demands of those activities, school, and those of *The Tower* editor?
4. Explain your feelings and thoughts about the role on campus of the *The Tower*. In this context, discuss your relationship with Georgia Tech leadership—students, administrators, and faculty.
5. Explain (completely) your understanding of student press law including as a minimum libel, slander, and advertising.
6. In what direction would you take the *The Tower* if elected? What problem areas would you address? What goals, innovations, or changes would you plan? Where would you place emphasis?
7. Explain your understanding of the responsibilities of the position of editor of the *The Tower*. Provide your thoughts on staff selection and management. Why would you be an effective manager of your peer students? How would you motivate them to achieve goals set for improving the newspaper?
8. Explain your understanding of the financial and organizational structure of Student Publications, particularly the *The Tower*.
9. What is your concept of the relationship between the position you are seeking, the Board of Student Publications, the Director of Student Media, and the faculty adviser of the *The Tower*? What is your understanding of the relationships among the student publications at Georgia Tech? Discuss your relationship with the current student staff of the *The Tower*, advisers, and staff.
10. Why do you want to be the editor of the *The Tower*? How are you qualified for this position?

I understand that, if elected, I will abide by the constitutions of the *The Tower* and the Board of Student Publications, including any and all by-laws, especially the *The Tower Code*. I will be familiar with the book published by the Student Press Law Center, *The Law of the Student Press*.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

. Please submit this signed form and your application to Mac Pitts, Student Services Building, Room 137, by no later than 5 PM on Friday, March 14, 2014. Questions may be posed via email to mac.pitts@vpss.gatech.edu.