

# Central Desi Journalism Fellowship



[Central Desi](#) is a news organization serving New Jersey's South Asian community. We cover a range of issues and work in collaboration with media partners including WNYC, The Gothamist and NJ Spotlight News.

We have ambitious plans to tell the story of the Desi diaspora, and we are [hiring!](#)

Our inaugural fellows will tell the story of this community through articles, audio, video and social. If you want to engage local communities in [nuanced storytelling](#) that reflects their [lived experiences](#), this is for you.

Your work will reflect honest realities about the community without boxing people in or making sweeping generalizations. It will celebrate Desis in all their uniqueness, as in their similarities to other New Jerseyans, on issues such as education, housing and politics.

Come be part of a startup media company and experiment with new storytelling formats.

## What you will do as a fellow

During the fellowship, you will produce feature stories and social media content, working closely with experienced editors who have decades of experience in traditional newsrooms and as journalism educators. By the end, you will have:

- reported and written **monthly articles** for publication on Central Desi and partner sites,
- leveraged **social media** to distribute journalism and news to a targeted audience,
- collaborated with an editorial team to **brainstorm ideas** and see them through, and
- received **training on community journalism** and multimedia storytelling methods.

## Details to know

The fellowship runs November - April with an expected commitment of 5 hours/week. Fellows will receive a \$3,000 stipend.

You **do not** have to be based in New Jersey to apply, and you **do not** have to be South Asian to apply. However, preference will be given to applicants with knowledge of the community.

Students, recent grads and existing or aspiring journalists are all welcome to apply.

If this sounds like the opportunity for you, apply by filling out this [short form](#) by **Sept. 30**.