***CHIMES* ON-CALL WRITER**

**APPLICATION FOR 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR**

*Chimes* is looking to hire three to five passionate writers to fill its on-call writer spots for the 2015-16 school year. The main goal of an on-call writer is to publish accurate news on important events within the Calvin community hours after they occur. Writers will be paid a stipend for each article they write.

An on-call writer will write about three articles each month. Some of these articles may be assigned; others may be offered to writers on a first come, first serve basis. These articles could range from covering Chaos Day to reviewing a big concert to getting the scoop on the latest faculty senate decision. Conducting good interviews is a critical part of this position. On-call writers may also be called upon to write an unplanned story that breaks suddenly without prior knowledge or planning.

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Major(s)/Minor(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Which of the following are you most interested in covering?

\_\_\_ Concerts

\_\_\_ On-campus events (Buck Fridays, Kill-a-watt, Chaos Day, etc.)

\_\_\_ Sports games

\_\_\_ Student senate/faculty senate/governance decisions

\_\_\_ Unplanned breaking news

\_\_\_ Other (specify — what ideas have you got for us?)

How familiar are you with AP (Associated Press) Style? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions (about 100 words each):

1. How do you see your passions matching Chimes’ mission at Calvin?

2. What is your relevant experience, either in journalism, classes, or in Calvin involvement?

3. What personal strengths do you have that would contribute to this role?

**Please also attach:**

1. A resume.

2. A writing sample. If you have any published news articles, attach a few. If not, attach some non-fiction work.

**Deadline: Friday, May 8, 2015**

Please e-mail all applications to us at chimes@calvin.edu