

FY 2026 One-Time Request: \$2,989.20 TribFest Travel

The Cougar

News on the Daily

The Cougar has attended the Texas Tribune Festival twice in a row, and each time, our student journalists come back with an enthusiastic and compelling understanding of Texas politics. TribFest allows student journalists to interact with journalists, public policy figures, professors, and experts in all things Texas, providing students with the connections and information they need to succeed in their field.

This year, students could talk to Texas Tribune co-founder Evan Smith, politics reporter Zach Despart, and several Houstonian politicians like Lina Hidalgo, and Christian Menefee and interview Lesley Briones. This valuable experience in the capital of Texas will continue to engage student journalists in conversations regarding Texas politics, which will build their skills as well-rounded journalists.

Travel fund: \$2,820.00

- **UH Administrative Charge (6.0%):** \$169.20
- **Total:** \$2,989.20