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David Seaman, a 2015 graduate of Taylor's journalism program, has received a second-place Pinnacle Award from the College Media Association. Seaman received the award in the "Best Arts & Entertainment Story" category for his review of Taylor Theatre's 2014 production of *Wit*.

The Pinnacle College Media Awards are an annual contest, recognizing excellent work in print, broadcast and online media from students nationwide.

Seaman's piece, *Death, thou shalt die*, was published in Taylor's student-run newspaper *The Echo*, and also received the first place award for "Best Review" at the Indiana Collegiate Press Association Awards in the spring. The piece allowed Seaman to explore the meaning and complexities regarding the themes of life and death in the play.

"David worked on the Echo most of his time at Taylor. It was exciting to watch him grow both in his writing style and as a strong, confident young man of character," said The Echo's faculty advisor and [Communication department](#) co-chair Dr. Donna Downs. "His hard work paid off with this award. I'm honored to have had him on our team."

Seaman is currently studying for his master's in magazine journalism at the University of Missouri.

"Taylor's Media Communication program definitely helped me prepare for where I am now," Seaman said. "Taylor's emphasis on community really encouraged me to break out of my boundary zones and start friendships with all sorts of people. That's where the stories are, and that's where they will come

from.”



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