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JOU 3101 Digital and Multimedia Journalism

Col of Arts, Soc Sci and Human, Department of Communication

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Prerequisite: COM 2713

This course will serve as an introduction to the world of news reporting, both print and online. Students will get a taste of what journalists do daily: generate story ideas, develop sources, conduct interviews, write, edit, rewrite and edit again. The course also will provide an overview of media law, media ethics and Associated Press style. Meets College-Level Communication Skills Requirement.

JOU 3314 Environmental Reporting

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3 sh (may not be repeated for credit) Prerequisite: JOU 3100 OR JOU 3101

Focuses on techniques required to research, report and write environmental new stories for digital platforms. Students cover an environmental beat during the semester to gain experience with writing about a wide range of issues relating to environmental journalism. The course also examines issues such as reporting ethics, the role of environmental reporters in the community, the history of environmental journalism and utilization of both government databases and the Internet to gain regulatory information for environmental stories. The course explores environmental stories involving public health, public land management, restoration of endangered species, and ecoactivism. Permission is required.

JOU 3700 Issues in Journalism

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3 sh (may be repeated for up to 90 sh of credit)

Introduction to major issues challenging news media in today's digital society, including ethics, public perception of the press, the Internet, political pressures, financial viability and standards of press performance.

JOU 3905 Directed Study

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1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

JOU 3940 Practicum: Voyager Multimedia News

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3 sh (may be repeated for up to 6 sh of credit)

Prerequisite: JOU 4342

Students will gain real-world experience working for the Voyager news site, a multimedia news room that is home to both Argo News and the Voyager, the University's student-run broadcast and print media properties. Students will create print, audio, video, and interactive deliverables. Can be taken twice for a maximum of 6 hours.

JOU 4181 Public Affairs Reporting

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3 sh (may not be repeated for credit) Prerequisite: JOU 3100 OR JOU 3101

Principles and procedures involved in reporting and writing news stories about public affairs / government for newspapers, broadcasters and online news services. Permission is required.

JOU 4201 News Editing

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3 sh (may not be repeated for credit) Prerequisite: JOU 3100 OR JOU 3101

The editing of local and wire copy for media outlets. Strong emphasis on principles of grammar, punctuation, diction, syntax, and logic. Headline writing, cutline writing, news judgment and photo display. Use of standard reference books.

JOU 4306 Writing Critical Reviews

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3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Devoted to writing reviews of books, film, art, and music. Meets College-Level Communication Skills Requirement.

JOU 4313 Sports Reporting

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3 sh (may not be repeated for credit) Prerequisite: JOU 3100 OR JOU 3101

Advanced writing and reporting course that offers students a comprehensive exploration of the many facets and platforms of sports journalism. In addition to lessons and practice in the area of gathering and disseminating original articles and opinion pieces, students will be exposed to contemporary issues facing sports and sports journalism as well as historical perspectives on the coverage of sports in the United States.

JOU 4342 Media Convergence

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3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Prerequisite: JOU 3101

Multimedia reporting melds digital technology platforms with traditional reporting skills, ethics and standards. In this course, students will be presented the opportunity to use multiple communication platforms (print, video, audio, photo, graphics, and/or interactive) to tell cohesive, engaging, and in-depth stories tailored for a target audience.

JOU 4905 Directed Study

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1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

JOU 6115 Interviewing and Information Gathering

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3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Provides advanced grounding in how historians, journalists, and qualitative social scientists employ best practices in interviewing and other information seeking to accomplish their objectives.

JOU 6905 Directed Study

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1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)