

JOUR A199: CURRENT ISSUES IN JOURNALISM

Item	Value
Curriculum Committee Approval Date	04/12/2023
Top Code	060200 - Journalism
Units	1-2 Total Units
Hours	18-36 Total Hours (Lecture Hours 18-36)
Total Outside of Class Hours	0
Course Credit Status	Credit: Degree Applicable (D)
Material Fee	No
Basic Skills	Not Basic Skills (N)
Repeatable	No
Open Entry/Open Exit	No
Grading Policy	Standard Letter (S), • Pass/No Pass (B)

Course Description

This course explores current issues in the field of journalism, rotating through a variety of topics, including but not limited to citizen journalism, ethics and niche journalism. Transfer Credit: CSU.

Course Level Student Learning Outcome(s)

1. Identify current issues and relate their implications to the journalism field.
2. Create a project or written analysis that illustrates the current issue.

Course Objectives

- 1. Identify, discuss and analyze current issues in journalism.
- 2. Develop skills related to current issues.
- 3. Place and evaluate action or response related to the current issues.

Lecture Content

Content related to the current issues in journalism for both practitioners and consumers to be detailed in instructor syllabus Analysis of implications related to producing and consuming journalism Possible responses appropriate to the issue at hand

Method(s) of Instruction

- Lecture (02)
- DE Live Online Lecture (02S)
- DE Online Lecture (02X)

Instructional Techniques

Lecture on course content Large group discussion and exploration of topics Video demonstration of concepts and tasks Small group discussion with instructor feedback Instructor handouts for student reference and analysis Instructor demonstration of concepts Personal application of concepts, problem-solving exercises, and skill demonstration

Reading Assignments

Students will read assigned articles and/or books as related to topic. 16-32 hours total per semester

Writing Assignments

In class writing assignments as appropriate to topic, course evaluations 4-8 hours total per semester

Out-of-class Assignments

Students will create projects and/or presentations applying class content as related to topic. 16-32 hours total per semester

Demonstration of Critical Thinking

Skill demonstration; problem solving exercises; tests

Required Writing, Problem Solving, Skills Demonstration

In class writing assignments as appropriate to topic; course evaluation

Eligible Disciplines

Journalism: Master's degree in journalism or communication with a specialization in journalism OR bachelor's degree in either of the above AND master's degree in English, history, communication, literature, composition, comparative literature, any social science, business, business administration, marketing, graphics, or photography OR the equivalent. Master's degree required.

Other Resources

1. Selected handout materials for a specific topic will be provided and distributed by the instructor.