

Journalism (JOUR)

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JOUR 5000 [0.5 credit]

Journalism and Society I

An introduction to analysis of the news media in Western society, considering classical arguments and contemporary trends in the scholarly assessment of journalism practice.

JOUR 5003 [0.5 credit]

Advanced Journalism: Multimedia

Designed to enhance storytelling, reporting and editing skills through the production of a digital publication.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Precludes additional credit for JOUR 5704 (no longer offered), JOUR 5705 (no longer offered), JOUR 5701 (no longer offered).

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4003, for which additional credit is precluded.

JOUR 5004 [0.5 credit]

Advanced Journalism: Audio

Designed to enhance audio storytelling and reporting/producing skills through the production of a weekly program.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Precludes additional credit for JOUR 5707 (no longer offered), JOUR 5703 (no longer offered).

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4004, for which additional credit is precluded.

Workshops averaging eight hours a week.

JOUR 5005 [0.5 credit]

Advanced Journalism: Video

Designed to enhance video storytelling skills through the production of a series of mini-documentaries for a digital program.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Precludes additional credit for JOUR 5708 (no longer offered), JOUR 5703 (no longer offered).

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4005, for which additional credit is precluded.

Workshop averaging eight hours a week.

JOUR 5200 [1.0 credit]

Introduction to Reporting

A laboratory course in basic reporting and editing techniques and introduction to multimedia reporting, followed by application in print and multimedia.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5202 [1.0 credit]

Broadcast Journalism Laboratory

A laboratory course in reporting and editing in the broadcast media.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5206 [0.5 credit]

Reporting Methods

Topics covered will range from interviewing and observation skills to conducting a title search, lodging an access to information request and interpreting data.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5208 [0.5 credit]

Public Affairs Reporting

A course devoted to understanding selected political, economic and social issues, and to analytical reporting on timely issues under professional conditions.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5300 [0.5 credit]

The Beat: Special Topics

Advanced reporting in a specialized subject area.

Topics may vary from year to year. Emphasis on subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4300, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminar three hours a week.

JOUR 5301 [0.5 credit]

The Beat: Advanced Business Journalism - Markets

The fundamentals of business journalism, including corporate structures, the markets, trade policy, contemporary business news and local publicly-traded companies. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4301, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminar three hours a week.

JOUR 5302 [0.5 credit]

The Beat: Advanced Business Journalism - Canadian Society

How business affects every aspect of public policy, from climate change to corporate social responsibility.

What business does and how the media covers it.

Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4302, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5303 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced Science Journalism - Health**

How health science research permeates everyday life. Global challenges confronting researchers and health science journalists. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4303, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5304 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced Science Journalism - Environment**

Analysis of global trends and research culture in climate and environmental sciences. Challenges confronting researchers and journalists. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective.

Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4304, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5306 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced International Journalism - The World**

Canada's role in the world as shaped by diplomacy, war, terrorism, migration, the international economy and development. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4306, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5308 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced Sports Journalism**

Beyond game scores—analysis of the culture of sports and evolution of sports reportage and writing. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4308, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5309 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced Arts Journalism**

An introduction to the crucial issues and trends necessary for reporters covering the arts and related cultural policy in Canada. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4309, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5310 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced Legal Journalism - The Law**

Building on basic media law through a practical exploration of how law works, and how to cover courts and write about legal issues. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4310, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5311 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced Legal Journalism - The Supreme Court**

Insight into the Supreme Court of Canada, and its role in the making and shaping of Canada. The relationship between the justices and journalists. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4311, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5315 [0.5 credit]**The Beat: Advanced International Journalism - The U.S.**

Fundamentals of the unique issues governing Canada-U.S. relations, from diplomacy to trade. Emphasis on advanced subject exploration from a journalistic perspective. Involves the production of in-depth journalism.

Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

Also offered at the undergraduate level, with different requirements, as JOUR 4305, for which additional credit is precluded.

Seminars three hours a week.

JOUR 5401 [0.5 credit]**Journalism Law**

This course prepares journalists to function comfortably within the legal and ethical guidelines governing their occupation. Topics include: contempt of court; free press, fair trial; revealing of sources; civil defamation; obscenity; privacy; government secrecy.

JOUR 5500 [0.5 credit]
Journalism and Society II

A critical examination of the conduct of the news media, exploring the social, political and economic contexts in which the media work and assessing the consequences of journalism practice for contemporary society.
Prerequisite(s): JOUR 5000 or permission of the School.

JOUR 5508 [0.5 credit]
Professional Practices: Specialized Media

A workshop course designed to give students instruction in specialized areas such as video documentary and magazine writing. Not all specialties will be offered each year.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5700 [1.0 credit]
Print Journalism

Students will explore and apply advanced journalistic principles and practices through a combination of readings, discussion and reporting in specific areas.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5702 [1.0 credit]
Broadcast Journalism

A seminar combining critical analysis of broadcast journalism and practical skill development in broadcast reporting, writing and production.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5706 [0.5 credit]
Professional Practices

Students examine current journalism practices in a critical and analytical way, and explore ways of producing thorough and investigative journalism in print, broadcast and multimedia. Guest speakers share their expertise and skills.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5800 [0.5 credit]
Survey Methods for Journalists

An examination of basic research design and data collection with emphasis on problems of interpretation.

JOUR 5808 [0.5 credit]
Directed Readings

Students, working under faculty direction, will undertake an intensive reading schedule in order to pursue a subject area of particular interest.

JOUR 5809 [0.5 credit]
Directed Research

Students, working under faculty direction, will develop and undertake a research project in order to pursue a subject area of particular interest.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

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Reading and research tutorials.

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JOUR 5908 [1.0 credit]
M.Journalism Research Project

The student will complete a substantial piece of public affairs journalism; or a research project on the media; or a document that makes a major contribution to journalism education. The format of the MRP will be determined by the stream of study.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

JOUR 5909 [2.0 credits]
M.Journalism Thesis

To fulfil the requirements of this 2.0-credit thesis course, students must produce a major piece of journalistic research or complete an academic thesis in the area of journalism studies.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity