

Journalism (JOUR)

Courses

JOUR 001 Brown and White 1 Credit

This course is a student's first semester on the staff of the undergraduate newspaper. Students will learn the fundamentals of journalistic writing and reporting, interviewing, and ethics during classroom workshop sessions. Upon satisfactory completion of the workshop, students are assigned to a reporting beat and will begin completing articles for publication online and in print. Because this is an introductory training class, JOUR 001 is for students with freshman or sophomore standing; juniors only with consent of instructor.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 002 Brown and White 1 Credit

Enrollment constitutes continued membership on the staff of the semiweekly undergraduate newspaper. These courses are taken consecutively after a student has completed JOUR 001. For a second semester on the newspaper, a student registers for JOUR 002. For a third semester, JOUR 003. For a fourth semester, JOUR 004. And so on.

Prerequisites: JOUR 001

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 003 Brown and White 1 Credit

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Prerequisites: JOUR 002

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 004 Brown and White 1 Credit

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Prerequisites: JOUR 003

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 005 Brown and White 1 Credit

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Prerequisites: JOUR 004

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 006 Brown and White 1 Credit

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Prerequisites: JOUR 005

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 007 Brown and White 1 Credit

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Prerequisites: JOUR 006

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 008 Brown and White 1 Credit

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Prerequisites: JOUR 007

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 009 Brown and White Photography Introduction 1 Credit

Enrollment constitutes membership on the photography staff of the undergraduate newspaper. Students will learn basic photo composition, photo storytelling and the principles of photojournalism during classroom workshop sessions. They will also be assigned to cover news and sporting events for publication online and in print. No experience is necessary. Cameras will be available for checkout, though participants are welcome to use their own equipment.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 010 Brown and White 1-2 Credits

Enrollment constitutes an entry-level leadership position on the staff of the undergraduate newspaper. All positions require an application, with review and selection conducted by the editorial board in collaboration with the instructor. Consent of department required.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Prerequisites: JOUR 001

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 011 Brown and White Special Projects 1-4 Credits

This section of The Brown and White is devoted to special projects that fall outside or complement traditional sections and can include investigative reporting, social media storytelling, podcast production, broadcast news production, data stories, graphic design, experiments in new forms of storytelling and other efforts. All positions require an application, with review and selection conducted by the editorial board in collaboration with the instructor. Consent of department required.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 012 Brown and White Videography 1 Credit

Enrollment constitutes membership on the videography staff of the undergraduate newspaper. Students should have basic video production and editing skills in order to complete assignments for publication online. Cameras will be available for checkout, though participants are welcome to use their own equipment.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 019 Brown and White Photography 1 Credit

For students who have completed the introductory JOUR009 course, enrollment in JOUR019 constitutes continued membership on the photography staff of the undergraduate newspaper. Students will be assigned to cover news and sporting events for publication online and in print. This course may be repeated.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Prerequisites: JOUR 009

JOUR 021 Writing for the Media 4 Credits

Practice gathering, writing and editing news; definition and components of news; structure and style; interviewing. Study and practice in use of social media and blogs by journalists as a way to gather and publish information. Requires freshman or sophomore standing.

Attribute/Distribution: AL, W

JOUR 023 Editing 4 Credits

Students will strengthen news judgment, critical thinking and writing through careful editing of articles for accuracy, fairness and clarity, including use of proper spelling, grammar, usage and style. Practice in writing headlines for print and the Web, including search engine optimization and multimedia presentation of content.

Prerequisites: JOUR 021 or JOUR 123

Attribute/Distribution: AL, Q, SS

JOUR 024 Visual Communication 4 Credits

Study of and practice in techniques of multimedia storytelling including photography, data visualization, print layout, and video-shooting and editing skills. This course combines principles of visual communication with hands-on work to help improve your visual literacy and multimedia skills and develop a professional digital portfolio. Prerequisite: Jour 21 or Jour 123.

Prerequisites: JOUR 021

Attribute/Distribution: AL, SS

JOUR 025 Data Journalism 4 Credits

Journalists, now more than ever, need to be able to use data as any other type of information for news reporting and storytelling. This introductory course, designed for journalism majors, encourages students to understand data as a natural source of journalism, understand the core concepts of data journalism, gain capacity and literacy to assess data for news reporting, and learn skills and tools for searching and using datasets as a part of journalistic practices.

Prerequisites: JOUR 021

Attribute/Distribution: Q, SS, SW

JOUR 091 Special Topics 1-4 Credits

Intensive study of a topic of special interest not covered in other courses.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 102 (COMM 102, DOC 102, FILM 102, GS 102) The Sports Documentary 4 Credits

The sports documentary has become an increasingly important form of media. Through the sports documentary, some of society's most significant concerns are portrayed and discussed, including issues of race, gender, terrorism, inequality and more. Too, the sports documentary has adapted to various media, from film to television to online, from the multi-volume work of Ken Burns to ESPN's "30 for 30." This course examines and critiques the social, cultural, political and economic implications of the sports documentary in contemporary culture.

Attribute/Distribution: HU

JOUR 104 Brown and White Reporting Capstone 1 Credit

Intended for journalism majors, this advanced course serves as one in a set of three possible choices that satisfy the department's Brown and White capstone requirement. Students choosing this option will complete stories requiring significant reporting and depth. Students must have completed JOUR003 and JOUR021 Writing for the Media I before registering for this capstone.

Prerequisites: JOUR 003 and JOUR 021

JOUR 105 Brown and White Photo/Video Capstone 1 Credit

Intended for journalism majors, this advanced course serves as one in a set of three possible choices that satisfy the department's Brown and White capstone requirement. Students choosing this option will complete visual stories requiring advanced photography and or videography skills. Students must have completed JOUR003 and JOUR024 Visual Communication before registering for this capstone.

Prerequisites: JOUR 003 and JOUR 024

JOUR 106 Brown and White Special Projects Capstone 1-4 Credits

Intended for journalism majors, this advanced course serves as one in a set of three possible choices that satisfy the department's Brown and White capstone requirement. Students interested in this option will need to apply and be selected for a contributor position in one of The Brown and White's specialty departments. This could include practicing skills in social media storytelling, podcast production, broadcast news production, data journalism, graphic design or a significant specialty project agreed upon between the student, instructor.

Prerequisites: JOUR 003 and JOUR 025

JOUR 110 (LAS 110) Latinx & Latin American Media 4 Credits

The cultures, languages, and traditions of Spanish-language and Latinx media in the U.S. and globally will be examined. The course presents frameworks for understanding media development and performance, discusses the role of media in democratic societies, and identifies common patterns in Latin American media development, media ownership, media-state relationships, relations with societal groups and citizens, and media content. Students identify and analyze societal and international forces that explain why these patterns appear, persevere and, sometimes, change.

Attribute/Distribution: HE, SS

JOUR 118 Sports Journalism 4 Credits

Fundamentals and practice of sports coverage through hands-on multimedia news gathering techniques in the field. Practice sports writing, photography, and video shooting and editing targeted for publications in both traditional and digital platforms.

Attribute/Distribution: AL

JOUR 119 (COMM 119) Mobile and Social Media Storytelling 4 Credits

Learn how to take a better photo, record a better video or podcast, and produce better social media content for your newsroom, company, or brand — all with your smartphone. This is a hands-on, highly practical online course that will have you learning tools and principles for visual and audio storytelling. You'll be producing content in the community that surrounds you and publishing exclusively to social media platforms. (Access to a smartphone is required).

Attribute/Distribution: AL, SS

JOUR 122 Media Ethics and Law 4 Credits

First Amendment theory and history; ethical and legal issues involving libel, privacy, obscenity, newsgathering, access, and fair trials; national and international concerns over censorship, prior restraint and manipulation and control of information.

Attribute/Distribution: SS, SW

JOUR 125 (EVST 125) Environment, the Public and the Mass Media 4 Credits

Extensive exploration of local, national and international environmental problems and their social, political and economic impacts. Analysis of mass media coverage of complex environmental issues and the media's effects on public opinion and government environmental policies. Examination of environmental journalism principles and practices in the United States and around the world.

Attribute/Distribution: CC, SS, SW

JOUR 135 (COMM 135) Human Communication 4 Credits

Processes and functions of human communication in relationships and groups.

Attribute/Distribution: SS, SW

JOUR 191 Special Topics 1-4 Credits

Intensive study of a topic of special interest not covered in other courses.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 225 NPR Partnership 4 Credits

For decades, public media — PBS and NPR — have offered high-quality television, radio and digital journalism to American audiences. Lehigh University is fortunate to have an NPR stations right on the edge of our campus, WLVR. This class takes advantage of that fortune and offers Lehigh journalism students the opportunity to partner with NPR journalists to produce in-depth stories for radio and digital outlets.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Prerequisites: JOUR 023 or JOUR 024

Attribute/Distribution: HU

JOUR 230 Multimedia Storytelling 4 Credits

An introduction to storytelling across multimedia styles such as video, audio, photography, social media, and written word. stresses experiential learning with emphasis on complementary story packaging and publishing. Students do in-class assignments and team reporting on issues of concern to local residents.

Prerequisites: JOUR 024

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 231 Science Writing Practicum 1-4 Credits

Onsite experience as accredited science reporter at major scientific meetings, or writing and research in university laboratories as part of science writing field research program. Must have junior standing. Consent of instructor required.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Prerequisites: JOUR 021 or JOUR 123 or JOUR 311

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 232 Journalism Practicum 1-4 Credits

Credit for supervised on- and off-campus work in journalism and communication. Allows credit for internships attained by students who do not qualify for the senior-level journalism internship class. Must have completed eight hours of journalism credits or consent of instructor required.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 245 Media Entrepreneurship 4 Credits

This class is designed to provide students with the journalistic, technological, business and entrepreneurial tools they need to consider working on their own. Students will examine traditional and emerging business models and understand the opportunities and challenges presented by the start-up economy. Ultimately, students will attempt to convert their intellectual, political, cultural or artistic passions into a viable media business.

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 246 (GS 246) International Communication 4 Credits

The subject matter is crucial to understanding modern life: the role of international news media in world affairs. The class studies the social, political and economic contexts that frame the reporting of international events by U.S. news media, such as politics, war, disasters, and other crises, as well as U.S. reporting on international issues, such as poverty, disease, and environmental change. The course also surveys reporting practices in nations around the world, including the varying systems of journalism and mass media and the brutal censorship and repression facing many foreign journalists.

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 275 Writing for Media II 4 Credits

This course fulfills the college junior-level writing intensive requirement and is required by the majors of Journalism and Journalism/Science Writing. Building on Writing for the Media I, the class combines essential aspects of Jour 211 Reporting, Jour 212 Feature Writing and Jour 218 Freelance Writing. Students will report and produce in-depth stories, to be published in The Brown and White, in paper and online, which will add substantially to their portfolios.

Prerequisites: JOUR 021 and JOUR 023

Attribute/Distribution: SS, W, WRIT

JOUR 291 Special Topics 1-4 Credits

Intensive study of a topic of special interest not covered in other courses.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 300 Apprentice Teaching 1-4 Credits

Supervised participation in various aspects of the teaching of a course. Consent of instructor, department chairperson, and permission of the Dean required.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

JOUR 312 Advanced Science Writing 3 Credits

Further practice, on individual basis, in science writing techniques.

Prerequisites: JOUR 123 or JOUR 311

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 313 Special Topics in Science Communication 1-4 Credits

Research or writing involving a topic, medium or issue in science, environmental or technical communication not covered in other courses. Must have completed eight hours in science or environmental writing or have consent of the instructor.

Attribute/Distribution: SS

JOUR 323 (EVST 323, HMS 323) Health and Environmental Controversies 4 Credits

Exploration of health and environmental controversies from the perspectives of scientific uncertainty and mass media coverage. Examines genetic engineering, biotechnology, environmental health risks and nanotechnology. Includes discussion of ethical and social responsibilities and interactions with the public.

Attribute/Distribution: SS, SW

JOUR 333 (AAS 333) Reporting the Crises: Identity, Journalism and Power 4 Credits

This seminar helps students understand the role of journalists, media-makers and citizens at the intersection of identity and inequality in times of crisis. It covers issues of race, class and gender with a specific emphasis on anti-Black racism, showing how media can be consciously or unwittingly used to further discrimination and support ongoing structures and patterns of harm. Ultimately students will explore how new media platforms, organizations and workers might undertake more equitable practices for a more equal media future.

Attribute/Distribution: CC, SW

JOUR 361 Internship 4 Credits

Professionally supervised work on newspapers, magazines, Web sites radio and television stations, or with public relations organizations. Some internships involve science writing. Must have senior standing and declared major in journalism or science writing.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 375 Writing for Media III 4 Credits

Building on Writing for the Media I and II, the class will offer different approaches and different platforms to advanced writing for media, from long-form journalism to multimedia storytelling to telling stories with data and visuals to experiments with new forms of storytelling.

Prerequisite: JOUR 275 (SS).

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Attribute/Distribution: SS, W

JOUR 385 Seminar in Journalism Issues 3-4 Credits

A seminar focusing on contemporary issues and problems facing the mass media and journalism. Topics vary. Taken by seniors for 4 credits and graduate students for 3 credits. Open to senior journalism or senior journalism/science writing majors or have consent of the instructor.

Attribute/Distribution: SS.

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JOUR 389 College Scholar Project 1-8 Credits

Opportunity for college scholars to pursue an extended project. College wide course designation. Transcript will identify department in which project was completed. Consent of instructor required.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 390 Honors Thesis 1-4 Credits

Directed undergraduate research thesis required of students who apply for and qualify for graduation with departmental honors. Qualifications are 3.75 GPA in the major and 3.5 overall GPA.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND

JOUR 391 Special Topics in Journalism and Communication 1-4 Credits

Directed research or writing involving a subject or issue in journalism not covered in other courses. Must have completed twelve hours in journalism or have consent of the instructor.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

Attribute/Distribution: ND