



MDIA5011

Professional Media Practices: Creating, P
Publicising Digital Journalism

Term Two // 2019

Course Overview

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Course Details

Credit Points 6

Summary of the Course

In this Masters-level course you will hone work-ready skills associated with creating, editing, publishing and publicising digital journalism in the real world. You will develop your ability to meet deadlines as you produce publishable multi-media packages (words, images, audio, video) for digital publication. At the same time you will develop skills associated with social-media engagement - e.g. publicising the site's content via Twitter, Facebook, and responding to reader comments on content; tracking hits on the online publication site; search engine optimisation (SEO) for published items; and so on. The opportunity to enhance your own portfolio, to be mentored by a media professional, to work in a media-practice based community and to establish all-important media connections.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Plan, research, create, edit and layout and publish multi-media digital content.
2. Work collaboratively, ethically and in accordance with media law to create and publicise digital journalism.
3. Publicise digital journalism on social media platforms, use data analytics to inform published material, and manage search engine optimisation of a publication.

Teaching Strategies

The course will be conducted as 2-hour seminars during which students will develop their own projects for potential publication, collaboratively sub-edit/review class members' work for the delivery of content, and, in cases where work has been published, engage with it on social media.

Each seminar will run as a "teaching hospital" in which students implement the strategies learned in earlier core courses in the Master of Journalism. Teaching will take the form of (1) a continuous process of sub-editorial review by the tutor and the editor of the EFOP (2) the collaborative reviewing by students.

This approach is designed to develop towards work-readiness the basic skills that students have acquired through previous core courses. It will provide them with a practical application of these skills in a "real world" setting, where they will be mentored by an industry professional.

Assessment

Student work is assessed based on quality at the time of submission of stories arising from the opportunity to work with the Digital Editor (Nevertheless however the original mark awarded to all submissions stands. The Digital Editor is responsible for the development but is not responsible for marking assignments. In all matters of the course convenor are final. All assignments must be submitted and the first page always provide your student number and enrolment name (first name), as well as course & assignment number, seminar group day and time, profile, etc), and an accurate word count for your submission. Do not include interviewee details or reference lists in this word count. On the final page, include names and contact details of all interviewees plus interview place, date, and how was conducted in-person, or by telephone, email, webchat/social media. With the tutor's permission in writing, all interviews must be conducted in Australia. Phone audio recordings and webchat transcripts are acceptable). All interviews must be accurately rendered in English. Interview recordings MUST be retained until December 31st of each academic year. In this course, the sources of all facts mentioned WITHIN the story (for example, University of Melbourne research, or by the Institute of Accountants said, or The Attorney General admitted) statements and facts must be provided either by embedding the source in the text where the reference occurs, or in a reference list on the final page of your submission. Your interviews need not be cited in reference lists but MUST be accurately rendered. Indirect quotes in the text of your story and/or video and audio multimedia clips must meet requirements may differ for each assignment. For submissions containing multimedia clips, the word count can be reduced by 180 words per minute of media clips included in the submission. The Newsworthy Content Management System. Submissions that are preceded by a 100-150 word text lead.

Assessment Tasks

Assessment task	Weight	Due Date	Student Learning Outcomes Assessed
Content Creation Task 1	45%	1 /07/2019 05:00 PM	1,2,3
Content Creation Task 2	30%	09/08/2019 05:00 PM	1,2,3
In-class assessment	25%	12/08/2019 05:00 PM	3

Assessment Details

Assessment 1: Content Creation Task 2

Start date:

Length: 1500-2000 words

Details: A longform (feature) 1500-2000 word story, or podcast, or video (equivalent to 2000 words). Feedback via LMS.

Submission notes: See general assessment information

Turnitin settings: assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students similarity reports.

Assessment 2: Content Creation Task 1

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: 5:00-800 words

Details: A: multiplatform journalism presentation of a 500-word news story video. Feedback via LMS.

Additional details:

Pitch, develop and write a 500 - 800 word news story with associated presented as a podcast.

Submission notes: See general assessment information

Turnitin settings: assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students similarity reports.

Assessment 3: In-class assessment tasks

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: 8:000 words

Details: Weekly Journalism practice tasks, equivalent to 3000 words (3000 LMS).

Additional details:

Weekly pre-class and/or in-class submissions are compulsory in this course and a penalty will be imposed for each and every missing portfolio submission.

In a single word document submit the following:

1. The original unedited text of your THREE BEST in-class and/or homework submissions (800-1000 words)
 2. A full list of all multimedia recordings or visual news stories that you have submitted including a brief description including audio/video clip durations (maximum 10 minutes)
 3. The full text of all other in-class and homework submissions this term
- ASSESSMENT ONE OR TWO AS PART OF YOUR PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION

Submission notes: See general assessment information

Turnitin settings: assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students similarity reports.

9am-12 noon OR 3 pm-6pm. Monday class students should bring their laptops to Tuesday classrooms in case the tutorial computers are all taken.

Read, listen or view

Australian print, radio and television current affairs programs and podcasts and events that interest you

Williams, K (2011). 'Windows on the World: International Journalism and the New International Journalism. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. pp. 145 -167 ABC Asia Pacific

Kolodzy, J. (2013). Sources and Backgrounds for Practicing Convergence Journalism. New York: Routledge, pp. 27-

Pre-class Submission (300 words): In your last week's discussions about your interests, suggest three specific story ideas that you like to report on this term. Search news for recent reports on people, events and places relevant to your story ideas and make a list of three relevant recent reports. Remember, your story may deal with global issues, it may be reported mainly IN AUSTRALIA, preferably Sydney. Explain how the stories you have chosen could be updated with new information and perspectives? What new questions could you ask that other authors have not considered? Who or what people or organisations could help you with them?

Bring to class a **save**, print out and bring to class three (3) 0 RG BT /F5 11.000000 Tfei0.000000 [] 0 d

		<p>their pre-class submissions and ensure they answer the following questions: your 1,500 word feature story going to 2. What platform will you prioritise (text, podcast, multimedia)? 3. In which new your story be composed (for example, trend, investigative, issue-based feature, immersion, profile)? 4. What do you hope your story will say or do that hasn't been said before by others? What new information perspectives could your story provide you hope to interview for your story? about your choice. Easy to access people more likely to deliver than high profile are you certain you can meet in the city? 6. What are the most interesting or significant locations relevant to your story? be permitted to photograph or video take you need to quote your interviewees, speaking to them on a background or record basis. 8. Will you tell the story in 1st or 3rd person? Explain why.</p>
<p>Week 3: 17 June Homework June</p>		<p>Listen to at least two informative podcasts. Choose one of your own favourites, if you have one, otherwise choose both from the list of Australia's most downloaded. Be prepared to discuss in class what these podcasts tell you about online journalism.</p> <p>https://thebrag.com/australias-most-downloaded-podcasts-2018/</p> <p>Read Kasinger, M., Richardson, N. & T. (2012). Researching the Story. Feature Writing: Telling the Story. Melbourne: OUP, pp 10-11.</p> <p>Bring to class a list of the 20 most important questions you need to ask for your assessment task to have impact. Bring 5-10 questions out of your list to class.</p>
	<p>Tut-Lab</p>	<p>Interviewing strategies</p> <p>In-class Activity: Interviewing workshop</p> <p>In-class Portfolio submission- PS3 (2000 words) After consulting in-class with your tutor submit your list of 20 questions to ensure they have impact</p>

Week 4: 24 June
June

Read

Kasinger, M., Richardson, N. & Tann
Developing Writing Techniques
Telling the Story: OUP, pp. 81- 9

Pre-class submission PS4 (1,500 word
toNewsworthy following materials you
assembled to use in your 1,500 word
quotes from your interviews, video or
passages reported by you from various
locations; your re-telling of key events
your interviewees and others, essential
other background material needed to
your feature. Try writing as much as you
story based on what you already have
with a compelling lead paragraph.

Bring 1260 on the 25th of June 2020
submission. If you wish you may add
explanation of why you think your story
attention. What's new, valuable or
about it, and what new evidence supports
of argument, analysis or explanation.
story offer opportunities for you to get

		<p>published) and improve narrative link Write your own headline and stand-first comment piece that was submitted to and cut it in half. Apply these techni own story before submission.</p> <p>IN CLASS PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION- P words\$submit your edit.</p>
Week 6: 8 July	Homework	<p>READ</p> <p>Kolodzy, J. (2013). Convergence Jour Chapter 7, Capturing Context and Tone . New York: Routledge, pp 95-1</p> <p>Geoghegan M. & Klass D. (2007) Podc Solutions. Chapter 4, 'Planning Your Berlin: Springer Podcast Solutions, p</p> <p>PRE-CLASS PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION PS6 (300 WORDS)</p> <p>Get to work now researching your 500 800-word News Story (Content Creatio 30%) Take advantage of Postgraduate week (NO CLASSES) prepare your next sto</p> <p>Write a 300 word pitch to the Newswo this story. Outline the topic and genre Q&A, Explainer, Colour story, Review Opinion, Immersion or Commentary)? your approach to using multimedia an media, visualizations, archival resear and following-up unresolved leads and stories. How do you propose to engag Newsword audiences? Will you genera own content, or access copyright clea secondary sources? Why will people c share your content and come back for stories and perspectives</p> <p>Due date for PS6 submission day 11 July at 5 pm</p> <p>* There are no classes in Week 6</p>
Week 7: 15 July	Homework	<p>BRING TO CLASS</p> <p>Five (5) print out copies of your Story discussion in class</p>
	Tut-Lab	<p>Pitching Workshop</p>

<p>Submit your FINAL Pitch at the end of</p>		<p>Deliver your final story pitch in front (5-10 mins) for discussion with the Newsword editor. You can use Power Point or Prezi to illustrate your story.</p> <p>IN CLASS PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION PITCH: Submit your FINAL Pitch at the end of class</p>
<p>Week 8: 22 July</p>	<p>Tuesday</p>	<p>Design a poster to promote the colour of the year.</p>

Resources

Prescribed Resources

Please refer to Moodle's library link (the green icon) for all library resources.

Students are encouraged to borrow audio recording kits, cameras and tripods from the UNSW Technical Resource Centre for interviews, especially if considering video and publicity assessment. Time will be allotted in class to familiarise students with the equipment to borrow. You can also use your smart phone to record interviews and to enhance smart phone recording and stability.

Adobe Creative Cloud Editing Software is installed on all Mac Labs. Please refer to the course page for more information.

Recommended Resources

Recommended textbook

The companion textbook for this course is *Journalism: The Essentials and Guidelines* (2014) by <https://uk.sagepub.com/en-gb/eur/online-journals/journalism/NOT236953>. It is also available for purchase, having it will provide students with a valuable resource drawn from other texts, and offers insights and perspectives of direct experience in journalism assessment work.

The following resources are available via UNSW library:

Factiva.com is available via the library for news research.

BBC College of Journalism

Lynda.com editing tutorials for Adobe Audition (optional podcasting).

Tanner, S., Kasinger, M., and Richards, R. (2013). *Journalism: The Essentials and Guidelines*. Australia: OUP.

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Highly Recommended

Students should continue their engagement with the Australian and international news. A range of perspectives on current world events that are shaping the news agenda are more available via the library or have free or limited free access.

The Guardian edition

The Sydney Morning Herald

The New York Times

The South China Morning Post

The Conversation is an excellent resource for academic quotes and interview sou

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hours are 8:00am 10:00pm on weekdays and 9:00am 5:00pm on wee

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