JOU 2101 Introduction to Journalism. AY 23-24 Credit Type – **Proficiency**



Course Description and Learning Outcomes:

https://www.sinclair.edu/course/params/subject/JOU/courseNo/2101/

Faculty Pathway Specialist(s) (Please include name and email):

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Resources Needed to Offer Course (software, equipment, books [include ISBN and edition], etc. – please include any associated costs):

Required Materials: The Missouri Group. News Reporting and Writing. 13th ed. Boston, MA: Bedford/St. Martin's, 2020. Optional but Recommended Materials: The Associated Press Stylebook 2020.

What is the ideal format for course delivery – in person, online or blended? To what extent could this course be offered online if necessary?

The course can be taught fully online or blended, with access to eLearn and the book listed above. Students will need a computer to access eLearn where the content and assignments will be available.

How is the final grade for the course determined? (Please list all required assignments, assessments, etc.)

GRADING

Course work will be weighted according to the following scale:

Grammar quiz

AP style quizzes (2)

Current events podcasts (2)

Hard news story

Speech story

Obituary

Discussions, mini assignments

50 points

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See below for specifics on these assignments

Feature story 200 points Enterprise story 200 points **TOTAL:** 1,000 points

LIST OF DISCUSSIONS, MINI ASSIGNMENTS

These are the broken down by point value. Due dates for these are on the When Assignments Are Due page.

Intro discussion 10 points 10 points Quote format mini quiz Jess interview, feedback 20 points 10 points Feature story analysis Fake news discussion 10 points Digital media assignment 10 points Ethics discussion 10 points 20 points Media law activity

TOTAL:

100 points

The following scale will be used to determine final grades:

A (Excellent; 90 - 100%)
B (Above average; 80 - 89%)

C (Average; 70 - 79%)

D (Below average; 60 - 69%)

F (Failure; 0 - 59%)

Who is responsible for grading the required assignments and/or assessments? (faculty or instructor?)

High School Instructor grades the assignments

What is the grading scale for the course?

There are rubrics for assignments. The mini assignments are graded on whether or not they are done. The following scale will be used to determine final grades:

A (Excellent; 90 - 100%)

B (Above average; 80 - 89%)

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D (Below average; 60 - 69%)

F (Failure; 0 - 59%)

Must students access the eLearn shell regularly to complete requirements?

Yes

Does the course require access to YouTube, Google Drive, etc.?

They need eLearn and a way to type up their stories. To create the podcasts, students need a recording device. Most people just use their phones. They will need some software to edit the audio. This is free and can be found online. Audacity is a popular one.

Additional course details or requirements important for instructors not covered above:

Students must do in-person, phone or Zoom interviews. No email interviews are allowed.

Most common (or popular) degrees this course is in?

Multimedia Journalism AA, English AA, Communication AA and New Media certificate