

Northwest Arkansas Community College
(Communication and Arts Division)

Discipline Code

JOUR

Course Number

2163

Course Title

Journalism Internship

Catalog Description

The journalism internship allows students to gain on-the-job training and experience in a media-related workplace or environment approved by the internship instructor. Developed as a “contract” agreement between the student and a “host,” the internship offers practical experience supporting upper-division college studies or career entry. Students must complete a minimum of 90 hours supervised work by arrangement.

Prerequisites

JOUR 1023 and JOUR 1053 with a C or better.

Credit Hours

3 credit hours

Contact Hours

42 hours of instruction and 80 hours of on the job training

Load Hours

3 load hours

Semester Offered

On Demand

ACTS Equivalent

N/A

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

- Using Associated Press style correctly in writings or broadcasts.
- Producing acceptable work using a computer, computer software, equipment, or other devices appropriate and required for assignments within the medium.

- Developing effective oral and written communication skills.
- Employing a variety of sources to locate, evaluate, and use information.
- Developing ability to recognize media bias, effectiveness, and impact.

General Education Outcomes Supported

- Students develop higher order thinking skills.
- Students gain greater awareness of cultural perspectives.
- Student develop effective oral communication skills
- Students will demonstrate technological fluency.

Standard Practices

Topics List

To be determined by the internship host, but should provide substantive experience that helps student learn and develop skills and abilities needed for that particular medium or in a professional career.

Learning Activities

- Practical experience and training using real-world tools and processes.
- Collaboration with others to accomplish assigned tasks by deadline.
- Producing content that is read, viewed, heard, or otherwise consumed in a real-world application.
- Meet expectations and needs of workplace.
- Communicate clearly and correctly.
- Listen to and follow instructions.

Assessments

Work journal, portfolio, reflection paper, and assessment by internship locale supervisor.

Grading guidelines

- Evaluation by internship locale supervisor.
- Regularly updated Canvas gradebook.
- Rubric guide for reflection paper.
- Work log.
- Portfolio of work.

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