

NorthWest Arkansas Community College  
Division of Communication and Arts

Course Number and Title

JOUR 1061 – Student Newspaper Lab (this course was previously offered as trial course JOUR 004V).

Catalog Description

Students may earn credit for participation on the staff of a student publication. Emphasis will be on news gathering, news and feature reporting, design and layout, and meeting deadlines. May be repeated for a maximum of 3 credit hours.

Prerequisites

None.

Credit hours/Contact hours/Load hours

Up to three.

Target Audience/Transferability

This course is recommended for students interested in working with the student newspaper Eagle View who would benefit from having the dedicated slots of time in their schedules. This course may transfer to other schools.

Student Learning Outcomes

- Report news and feature stories according to accepted journalistic style and standards.
- Submit news stories and photographs correctly, according to established guidelines.
- Develop knowledge and competencies in page layout and design.
- Practice interviewing and researching skills.
- Set and adhere to deadlines.
- Evaluate newsroom procedures and processes.
- Collaborate with editors, reporters, and other entities.

Topics

Newspaper creation from the ground up—beginning with story ideas to final publication.

Forms of Assessment

Participation, completion of assignments by deadlines, correct use of journalistic style, time on task, and collaboration with news staff.