

**I. COURSE INFORMATION**

- A. Communication 164 News Practicum
- B. 1 credit hour
- C. Classroom resource textbook: The Associated Press. *The Associated Press Stylebook: 2022-2024*. 56<sup>th</sup> ed. Basic Books Publisher
- D. Prerequisites: none

**II. COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course provides students interested in journalism and online publishing practical experience working on the staff of the college's online newspaper. Students will gain experience in reporting, interviewing, writing and editing news stories as well as photography.

**III. LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- A. Determine news and events appropriate for coverage
- B. Gather information through interviews, investigation, participation or research
- C. Write and edit articles, headlines, captions appropriate for online readers
- D. Take and manipulate photographs and video
- E. Coverage of various media

**IV. MAJOR CONTENT AREAS**

- A. Reporting
- B. Writing
- C. Editing
- D. Photography
- E. Online newspaper production

**V. ASSIGNMENTS (may include but are not limited to)**

- A. News articles
- B. Page editor
- C. Photographs
- D. Page design
- E. Story graphics
- F. Evaluation of stories

**VI. EVALUATION METHODS (may include but are not limited to)**

- A. Attendance
- B. Assignments
- C. Participation in online newspaper design and production