



UWP 111B: Investigative Journalism

What Requirements Does This Course Satisfy?

Professional Writing Minor, Group B:
Writing in the Professions
General Education: Arts & Humanities
(AH); Writing Experience (WE)

What Will I Learn To Do?

- Choose angles and develop leads, organize an article, and provide appropriate evidence
- Write narratives within journalistic contexts
- Carry out research methods used in investigative journalism
- Use tone, style, and point of view effectively in journalistic writing
- Learn more about important ethical issues concerning writing for publication, such as copyright infringements and use of sources

Why Take This Course?

Investigative journalism is a field of journalism in which reporters conduct in-depth and intensive research in a single subject area. This sort of journalism is not merely looking at celebrity gossip or sports, but rather government corruption, business malfeasance, or criminal activity. Investigative journalists are able to hold powerful organizations and people accountable by uncovering and exposing the truth about exploitation and malpractices. Without this inquisitive research, many scandals and human rights violations by major corporations and leaders would be hidden from the public. By combining research, law, business, and human rights advocacy, this class is open to those who are interested in journalism that is in-depth and illuminating to the public, giving a voice to the voiceless.