

J344, Photojournalism Reporting

Course Information

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Office hours: Tuesday, 3 – 5:30 p.m. and by appointment

Course Objectives

This course will teach you the skills and give you the knowledge necessary to tell stories using photographs. Areas covered will include the following: photography basics, shooting events, shooting news, shooting features, shooting sports, shooting portraits, basic photo editing, slideshows and portfolio construction. You will also learn about laws and ethics of photojournalism.

Students with Special Needs

Students who have a disability that requires accommodations in the classroom should contact the Office of Disability Services by phone, 812-941-2243, early in the semester so that their learning needs may be appropriately met. The student will need to provide documentation of the disability and if further documentation is needed, recommendations can be provided from the Office of Disability Services.

Additional information about the Office of Disability Services may be obtained at this [website: www.ius.edu/disability-services/](http://www.ius.edu/disability-services/).

Attendance, Punctuality and Deadlines

Class lectures and assignments will be updated weekly. As an online course, there is a certain pace to the class. Each week will go live on Monday of that week. Deadline extensions will only be given under special circumstances. Make-up exams will not be given or reopened.

Grading

The total number of points you accumulate out of a possible 650 will determine your final grade. The breakdown is as follows:

1. Seven Photo Assignments (50 points each / 350 points total)
2. Four Exams (50 points each / 200 points total)
3. One Online Portfolio (100 points)

A, 630-650	A-, 585-629	B+, 565-584
B, 552-654	B-, 520-551	C+, 500-519
C, 487-499	C-, 455-486	D+, 435-454
D, 422-434	D-, 390-421	F, Less Than 390

Photo assignments will be uploaded to Canvas in JPEG format. At least four photos – your best – will

be submitted per assignment. Please provide complete cutline information for your uploaded photos as a Word document.

Class Schedule

Week 1 (week of Monday, Jan. 13)	Introduction / Cameras, Lens and Equipment / Cutlines
Week 2 (week of Monday, Jan. 20)	Assignments / News
Week 3 (week of Monday, Jan. 27)	Photoshop Basics / Events
Week 4 (week of Monday, Feb. 3)	Features / Exam 1
Week 5 (week of Monday, Feb. 10)	Events Assignment Due (Sunday, Feb. 16) / Portraits
Week 6 (week of Monday, Feb. 17)	Features Assignment Due (Sunday, Feb. 23) / Sports
Week 7 (week of Monday, Feb. 24)	Portraits Assignment Due (Sunday, March 1) / Photo Stories / Exam 2
Week 8 (week of Monday, March 2)	Sports Assignment Due (Sunday, March 8) / Law
Week 9 (week of Monday, March 9)	News Assignment Due (Sunday, March 15) / Ethics
Week 10 (week of Monday, March 16)	Spring Break
Week 11 (week of Monday, March 23)	Photo Story Assignment Due (Sunday, March 29) / Photo Illustrations / Exam 3
Week 12 (week of March 30)	Online Portfolios / Photo Editing, Part1
Week 13 (week of April 6)	Photo Editing, Part2
Week 14 (week of April 13)	Photo Illustration Assignment Due (Sunday, April 19)
Week 15 (week of April 20)	Portfolio Due (Sunday, April 26)
Week 16 (week of April 27)	Exam 4

Unexcused late work will not be accepted or graded.

Diversity Statement

Diversity is the valuing and respecting of difference, including socio-economic status, race, religion, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status, cultural and international origin, and other groups traditionally underrepresented at the university and in society. We grow and evolve as a university through seeing equality and representation as a goal and human right for everybody. IU Southeast is committed to recruiting students from diverse populations and to making the climate and curriculum welcoming and equitable. Students will leave the university with a raised level of awareness of the history of equality and difference and attain international awareness, so that their understanding of academic disciplines, society, and the work place will be enhanced, and they will be receptive to and promote valuing and respecting difference in their lives and in the workplace.

Policy for Religious Observances

Indiana University respects the right of all students to observe their religious holidays. Accordingly, instructors will make reasonable accommodation, upon request, for such observances. It is your

responsibility to request accommodations by the end of the second week of the semester using the Request for Religious Accommodations Form, which you can download at <http://www.ius.edu/diversity/files/religious-observances-request-for-accommodation.pdf>. More information on the religious observances policy is available at <http://www.ius.edu/diversity/resources/religious-observances.php>.

Student Code of Conduct

- website: <https://www.ius.edu/dean-of-students/code-of-conduct/index.php>

Disability Services

- website: <https://www.ius.edu/disability-services/index.php>

Weather Delay

- website: <https://www.ius.edu/about-southeast/emergency-preparedness/weather-policy.php>