

# THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

## JPW– JOURNALISM AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING

### ADVISEMENT NEWSLETTER

Spring 2016

#### ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE FOR ADVISEMENT & REGISTRATION

*As always, we urge you to **please see your advisor prior to registration**. It is important that you receive appropriate advice and that we keep your records updated. Faculty will be contacting you by e-mail and/or posting sign-up sheets outside their offices. **Be sure to sign up!***

Registration for the Spring 2016 semester begins Tuesday November 3, 2015, and runs through Friday, November 13, 2015. Please check your PAWS account to determine when you are eligible to register.

Your advisor should be listed on your PAWS account. If you can't find your advisor on PAWS, please inquire in the English Department office or call 609-771-2297.

As usual, English Department courses are listed under several different headings in PAWS. LIT and JPW courses can predictably be found under "Literature" and "Journalism and Professional Writing," respectively. However, be aware that you will find LNG courses under "English Language," and CWR courses under "Creative Writing."

Each JPW major must complete at least one professional internship (JPW 499 Media Experience), but you cannot register for them via PAWS. Consult with your advisor about internships and they will explain the procedures to you. Also see [English.tcnj.edu/courses-advisement/internships](http://English.tcnj.edu/courses-advisement/internships).

Please see the Advising Policy for the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at <http://hss.pages.tcnj.edu/resources-for/advising-resources/>.

*For course descriptions and times, see the department website.*

#### BE PREPARED FOR ADVISEMENT

Prior to meeting with your advisor:

1. Review the English Department Advising Syllabus at: <http://english.pages.tcnj.edu/courses-advisement/>.
2. Review the requirements for your program and create or revise your 4-year plan.
3. Check the courses offered.
4. Devise a tentative schedule for the Spring including back-up courses in case your preferred choices are filled. Put desired courses in your PAWS shopping cart.
5. Bring your 4-year plan to your advisement appointment.
6. Show up for your appointment and show up on time! Your advisors make extra time in their very busy schedules to meet with you; so once you have signed up, honor your commitment. In an emergency, contact your advisor to reschedule.

# Spring 2016 Course Offerings

JPW 208 Introduction to Journalism  
JPW 250 Writing for Interactive Media  
JPW 301 Data Journalism  
JPW 310 Press History  
JPW 350 Magazine Writing  
JPW 370 Topics in Journalism

Section:

01 Enterprise Reporting  
02 Political Reporting  
03 Freelance Writing/JPW 371- Topics in Professional Writing

JPW 498 Beats and Deadlines

## Journalism and Professional Writing: Learning Goals

Upon completion of their program of study, JPW majors will be able to:

Research, write, edit and create material of entry-level professional quality according to the practices and standards of news organizations, magazines and professional communications. These materials include news stories, features, newsletters, business documents, headlines, photo captions, photos, videos and web/digital content.

Demonstrate an understanding of media law and ethical conduct in journalism and professional writing, and other requirements of good journalistic practice.

Demonstrate an awareness of the assumptions about culture and gender implicit in choice of media, representations, and focus in journalism and professional writing.

Demonstrate knowledge of the history and traditions of journalism and professional writing.

Perform entry-level work at a professional publication or as a professional writer, as demonstrated by completion of a media experience.

### Required courses: 8 course units

JPW 208/Introduction to Journalism  
JPW 250/Writing for Interactive Media  
JPW 301//Data Journalism  
JPW 308/Media Law  
JPW 309/Media Ethics  
JPW 311/News Editing and Production  
JPW 498/Beats and Deadlines  
JPW 499/Media Experience

### Three of the following courses: 3 course units

JPW 251/Feature Writing  
JPW 310/Press History  
JPW 321/Race, Gender, and the News  
JPW 322/Future of the News  
JPW 350/Magazine Writing  
JPW 355/Topics in Professional Writing  
JPW 370/Topics in Journalism  
JPW 397/Practicum (by permission)

One course, by advisement, from outside the JPW offerings (e.g., creative writing, literature, business, design, political theory, science and technology, international studies).

**1 course unit**

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### VISIT THE DEPARTMENT WEBSITE!

WWW.TCNJ.EDU/~ENGLISH

There you will find links that will allow you to:

- ✓ View course descriptions
  - ✓ View course times
  - ✓ See schedule changes
  - ✓ See information about summer courses.
  - ✓ View information and download forms for internships.
- As well as information on:
- ✓ Student publications
  - ✓ Student groups
  - ✓ Faculty and staff
  - ✓ Departmental policies and requirements