THE COLLEGE OF THE BAHAMAS
Course Outline

Title: Senior Thesis II
Abbreviation and Number: JRNT499  AB Paper No.: 13-39
School: Communication and Creative Arts
Department: Journalism and Communication
Credits: 3
Course Sequence: ( ) Fall (X) Spring ( ) Fall and Spring
Hours Per Week: ( ) Lecture ( ) Seminar ( ) Laboratory ( ) Studio ( ) Kitchen
( 3 ) Other (Supervision)
Pre-requisite(s): JRNT498 or permission of Chair/Instructor
Co-requisite(s): None

COURSE DESCRIPTION
Under the guidance of a faculty advisor, students produce and present a research paper based on the proposal completed in JRNT498.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES
Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to
1) Produce a research paper that demonstrates original critical thought on a specific media-related topic; and
2) Present the findings of their research.

COURSE CONTENT
The thesis should comprise the following:
1. Title page
2. Abstract
3. Introduction
   a. Objectives of research
   b. Significance of the topic
4. Literature review (completed in JRNT498)
5. Methods
6. Critical analysis
7. Interpretation and conclusion (including limitations of study)
8. References

ASSESSMENT
1. At the end of week 10, students will submit a Senior Thesis Completion Form signed by the faculty advisor and three copies of a 20-25 page thesis to the Head of Department for distribution to the Senior Thesis Committee.
2. If the thesis is deemed satisfactory, within three weeks of its submission the Programme Coordinator will schedule the student for an oral presentation of the thesis before the Senior Thesis Committee.
3. If the thesis is deemed unsatisfactory, within three weeks of its submission the Programme Coordinator will notify the student in writing of the need for revision and will recommend specific ways to revise the thesis. Under the guidance of the faculty advisor, the student will revise the thesis within a time frame agreed to by the student and the advisor. The revised thesis will be resubmitted to the Programme Coordinator for distribution to the Senior Thesis Committee.
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Oral presentation……………………… 25%  
Research paper…………………….. 75%  
TOTAL…………………………………….100%  

REQUIRED TEXTS  

SUPPLEMENTARY READINGS/MATERIALS  

JOURNALS  
American Journalism Review  
Communication and Media Studies  
Global Journalism Review  
Journal of Communication  
Journalism Practice  
Journalism Studies  
Journalism: Theory, Practice and Criticism  

WEBSITE  
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