JOURNALISM CONCENTRATION

JNX 150 The Journalistic Impulse (1 Credit)
As the Gateway course for the Journalism Concentration, this course introduces students to journalism as a profession. It uses the personal as the lens through which to survey the field. The course covers basics of the profession, such as the role of journalism in a democracy, the lifecycle of a story (where it starts, how it develops), and the anatomy of a story (what counts as a journalistic story, how journalistic stories are constructed). In addition, the course invites working journalists as guest lecturers, enabling students to read, hear and discuss journalism from representative contemporary areas of the journalism enterprise. S/U only.
Spring

JNX 350/ WRT 350 Journalism in the Field (4 Credits)
Journalism in the Field provides students an opportunity to produce an extended reported project while exploring and critiquing contemporary forces shaping the media landscape. Required for senior journalism concentrators and open to all juniors and seniors, this seminar allows students to synthesize their previous journalistic experience. Students investigate contemporary journalism and methods and how these themes might influence their rhetorical, practical and ethical choices for their work-in progress. Class sections also provide a forum for progress reports and discussion of individual journalism projects, and for final presentations. Students are provided with readings, discussions, mentoring and other support. Enrollment limited to 12. Juniors and seniors only. Instructor permission required.
Annually