COMM-348 - Sportswriting for the Press

| Course Code | Course Title | <u>Credits (ECTS)</u> | |
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| COMM-348 | Sportswriting for the Press | 6 | |
| Department | Semester | Prerequisites | |
| Communications | Spring | COMM-125 Introduction to | |
| | | Journalism | |
| Type of Course | Field | Language of Instruction | |
| Elective | Humanities, Social Sciences and | Greek | |
| | Law | | |
| Level of Course | Year of Study | Lecturer | |
| 1 st Cycle | 3 rd | Staff | |

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- introduce students to the different aspects of sports writing for the press.
- introduce students to the history and development of sportwriting.
- introduce students to the sports writing and production for the electronic media.
- familiarize students with the code of ethics of sportswriting.
- introduce students to the TV studio directing and live presentation of sports stories.

Learning Outcomes of the course:

After completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:

- Be aware of the history and development of sportswriting.
- Understand the social and economic factors involved in the development of the industry of sports.
- Comprehend the qualifications, duties and responsibilities of a sportswriter.
- Write professionally the different kinds of sportswriting: reportage, commentary, editorial and interview.
- Understand and put in practice the provisions of the sportswriting deontology.

Contents of the course:

- 1. Historical evolvement of sports (Europe, Greece, Cyprus).
- 2. Social, political and economic factors in the sports industry.
- 3. Relations between mass media and sports.
- 4. Historical evolution of sports press-Modern/current trends.
- 5. The political economy of sports press.
- 6. Sportswriting and sports journalists-Their importance and influence.
- 7. The modern sports journalist-Qualifications, duties and responsibilities.
- 8. Sportwriting-Language, methods and techniques.
- 9. The sports reportage yesterday and today.
- 10. Sports opinion articles and editorials.
- 11. The sports interview.
- 12. Sportwriting for the radio.
- 13. Sportwriting for TV.
- 14. Sports photojournalism.
- 15. The projection of the male and female in sports journalism.
- 16. Free access in the sports events (the coded sports TV programs and the international agreements).
- 17. The deontology of sports journalism.

Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Class Presentations, Discussions and Assignments.

Assessment Methods:

Projects, Class work and Homework.

Required Textbooks:

| Authors | | Title | Publisher | Year | ISBN |
|-------------|-----|---------------------------|------------|------|-------------------|
| Andreas | Cl. | Sports Journalism: Theory | Nikoklis | 2008 | 978-9963-9364-0-3 |
| Sophocleous | | and Practise | | | |
| David Rowe | | Sport, Culture and the | UK Open | 2004 | 033-5210-759 |
| | | Media | University | | |

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| Authors | | Title | Publisher | Year | ISBN |
|------------------|-----|----------------------------|--------------|------|--------------------|
| Andreas | CI. | "Introduction to | Intercollege | 1999 | N/A – Bound |
| Sophocleous | | Journalism" Parts A' & B' | | | work/lecture notes |
| Demetrios | | Sports and Mass Media | Ellin | 1999 | 960-286-408-7 |
| Panagiotopoulos | | | | | |
| (ed.) | | | | | |
| Georgios | N. | Introduction to Sports | Ellin | 2003 | 960-286-739-6 |
| Sklavounis | | Journalism | | | |
| Lykourgos Komini | S | The Secrets of Journalism, | Kastaniotis | 1990 | 960-03-0692-3 |
| | | Vol. A' & B' | | | |