

**JOUR 3300.003**  
**Intro to Visual Communication for News**  
**Fall 2023**  
**SYMR 223 – Wednesday 9:00 am – 11:50 am**  
**Still Photography**

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**TEXT (REQUIRED):** None. There will be handouts you are expected to read.

**REQUIRED MATERIALS:** External hard drive such as a Seagate 1TB (under \$100) formatted for **Mac OSX or exFAT**.

Camera memory card – SDXC Class 10 minimum 32 Gigabytes  
Check [Amazon](#) for cards. Walmart also has good prices.



**OPTIONAL: Adobe Creative Cloud. You can get a student discount. You will need Photoshop or Lightroom and Premiere Pro. Computer technical specs available if needed.**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This portion of this course is designed to introduce students to digital still photography, including acquiring a thorough knowledge of the terminology and operation of a DSLR camera, capturing and downloading digital files to the computer and the output of images for print and web usage. It also includes a basic understanding of lighting techniques, both natural and artificial, for use in visual news reporting and storytelling. Photoshop and editing photos are also part of the course.

**THE SWITCH TO VIDEO. IN A DIFFERENT CLASSROOM, IS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023.**

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

See attached page.

**ATTENDANCE AND SICK POLICY:**

I will be in class. I expect you to be here, too. Attendance will be taken during the first two minutes of each class period. To be counted as attending, you must be in the classroom at your computer by that time. Be on time. Come ready to work. This class will be challenging and fun.

If you come in late or miss a class, you cannot learn important information or earn the points available that day.

If you are sick, please email me in advance of your absence. You must bring a *doctor's excuse* to be allowed to make up any work. If someone in your family dies, you must bring documentation. At that time, we will discuss making up missed assignments.

## **DEADLINES:**

**Journalism is a business of deadlines.** Assignments must be turned in the due date. Late assignments will be accepted only with approval and will receive a point penalty of -15 points for being late. There will be a Late Assignments folder for turning in past-due assignments. Do NOT miss a deadline. I am not going to ask you to turn in your work. It's up to you to remember to turn it in on time. Time in class will often be divided between lectures and hands-on exercises.

**EMAIL COMMUNICATION:** Communicating with students using the UNT student email account is part of the university's contract with students.

## **LAB RULES:**

Food and drinks are NOT permitted in the classroom or lab at any time. No exceptions.

## **CELL PHONE AND COMPUTER POLICY:**

Turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices during class. I will tell you when to turn the computers on and off. If you are online, checking email during class or using the computer without my permission, you may be asked to leave the classroom for that day.

## **DUAL SUBMISSION:**

You may not submit your work in this class for any other class or another use or vice versa without prior permission from your instructor.

## **HELP:**

Do not wait until the last minute to ask for help. Ask appropriate questions in class or see me before or after class if you need extra help.

## **GRADING:**

You can earn up to 2000 points overall with 1000 for each portion of this course. The point totals will be averaged for your final grade. You earn points as follows:

### Still Photography

Stills Quiz (1)	50 Points
Stills Shooting 1 – Exposure and Workflow	100 Points
Stills Shooting 2 – Going Places (exposure and composition)	100 Points
Stills Shooting 3 – In Your Eyes (portraits, closeups)	100 Points
Stills Shooting 4 – Event (basic news gathering concepts)	100 Points
Stills Shooting 5 – Capturing Motion In Class (shutter speed)	100 Points
Stills Shooting 6 - DOF In Class (aperture)	100 Points
Stills Shooting 7 - Photo Essay (storytelling with visuals)	200 Points
Stills Exam	100 Points
Professionalism	50 Points
	<b>Total 1000</b>

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The stills portion and video portion will be averaged to obtain your final grade.

**FINAL GRADE SCALE:** 1,000 – 900 = A 899 - 800 = B 799 – 700 = C 699 - 600 = D 599 – below = F

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The grade from this portion of 3300 is 50% of your final grade and will be averaged with the final grade from the video portion of the class to determine the final grade.

## **Shooting Assignments: 550 points (5 assignments)**

During this portion of the course, you will complete five shooting assignments. You will shoot these assignments on your own time. Each assignment must demonstrate visual composition and journalism applications, plus technical use of the camera, including correct exposure, depth of field among other things. More specific details will be given at the time of each assignment. You must follow all directions. You must meet all deadlines.

### **In-class Assignments: 200 points (2 assignments, 100 points each)**

During the semester there will be in class assignments that must be completed on deadline during the class period. Specific details will be given at the time of the assignment.

### **Stills Exam: 100 points**

### **Professionalism: 50 Points**

You may earn up to 50 points in the overall evaluation of your on-time performance and attendance. Everyone starts with 50.

## **COURSE TECHNOLOGY & SKILLS**

- [Canvas Technical Requirements](https://clear.unt.edu/supported-technologies/canvas/requirements) (<https://clear.unt.edu/supported-technologies/canvas/requirements>)

### Technical Assistance

**Part of working in the online environment involves dealing with the inconveniences and frustration that can arise when technology breaks down or does not perform as expected. Here at UNT we have a Student Help Desk that you can contact for help with Canvas or other technology issues.**

**UIT Help Desk:** [UIT Student Help Desk site](http://www.unt.edu/helpdesk/index.htm) (<http://www.unt.edu/helpdesk/index.htm>)

**Email:** [helpdesk@unt.edu](mailto:helpdesk@unt.edu)

**Phone:** 940-565-2324

**In Person:** Sage Hall, Room 130

**Walk-In Availability:** 8am-9pm

**Telephone Availability:**

- **Sunday:** noon-midnight
  - **Monday-Thursday:** 8am-midnight
  - **Friday:** 8am-8pm
  - **Saturday:** 9am-5pm
- Laptop Checkout:** 8am-7pm

**For additional support, visit [Canvas Technical Help](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10554-4212710328) (<https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10554-4212710328>)**

### Rules of Engagement

Rules of engagement refer to the way students are expected to interact with each other and with their instructors. Here are some general guidelines:

- While the freedom to express yourself is a fundamental human right, any communication that utilizes cruel and derogatory language on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected under applicable federal, or state law will not be tolerated.
- Treat your instructor and classmates with respect in any communication online or face-to-face, even when their opinion differs from your own.
- Ask for and use the correct name and pronouns for your instructor and classmates.
- Speak from personal experiences. Use “I” statements to share thoughts and feelings. Try not to speak on behalf of groups or other individual’s experiences.
- Use your critical thinking skills to challenge other people’s ideas, instead of attacking individuals.
- Avoid using all caps while communicating digitally. This may be interpreted as “YELLING!”
- Be cautious when using humor or sarcasm in emails or discussion posts as tone can be difficult to interpret digitally.

- Avoid using “text-talk” unless explicitly permitted by your instructor.
- Proofread and fact-check your sources.
- Keep in mind that online posts can be permanent, so think first before you type.

See these [Engagement Guidelines](https://clear.unt.edu/online-communication-tips) (https://clear.unt.edu/online-communication-tips) for more information.

## **JOURNALISM COURSE REGISTRATION**

- Registration will begin on the dates noted in the schedule of classes each semester. The system is a live, first come/first serve program.
- By registering for this course, you are stating that you have taken the required prerequisites according to your catalog year and major/minor status. If the instructor later determines that you haven’t taken and passed these requirements, then you may be dropped at any point in the semester. If you have questions about your prerequisites, please see an advisor.
- A journalism major enrolled in any restricted 3000 and 4000 level classes must have taken and passed all foundational courses. Students must earn and maintain a 2.5 UNT and/or overall GPA (depending upon catalog year) to be eligible for major-level courses.

## **RE-TAKING FAILED JOURNALISM CLASSES**

Students will not be allowed to automatically take a failed journalism course more than two times. Once you have failed a journalism course twice, you will not be allowed to enroll in that course for one calendar year after the date you received the second failing grade. Once a student has waited one calendar year after failing a course twice, the student may submit a written appeal to the director to be approved to enroll a third time. Students will not be allowed to re-take a failed journalism course more than three times.

## **TEXTBOOK POLICY**

The Mayborn School of Journalism doesn’t require students to purchase textbooks from the University Bookstore. Many are available through other bookstores or online.

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Office hours are available by appointment. My virtual office is always open; email me, and I promise to respond within 24 hours, except on weekends.

## **ATTENDANCE**

One absence in the course is the limit without penalty toward your final grade, unless you have communicated with me from the beginning about an extraordinary problem. Coming to class late or leaving early may constitute an absence for that day. This is a seminar course, and it requires your attendance and participation each class meeting.

## **FINANCIAL AID SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP) UNDERGRADUATES**

A student must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) to continue to receive financial aid. Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA in addition to successfully completing a required number of credit hours based on total registered hours per semester. Students cannot exceed attempted

credit hours above 150% of their required degree plan. If a student does not maintain the required standards, the student may lose financial aid eligibility.

**If at any point you consider dropping this or any other course, please be advised that the decision to do so has the potential to affect your current and future financial aid eligibility.**

Please visit [UNT Financial Aid](https://financialaid.unt.edu/satisfactory-academic-progress-requirements) (https://financialaid.unt.edu/satisfactory-academic-progress-requirements) for more information about financial aid Satisfactory Academic Progress. It may be wise for you to schedule a meeting with your MSOJ academic advisor or visit the Student Financial Aid and Scholarships office to discuss dropping a course before doing so.

## ACADEMIC ADVISING

All first-time-in-college students at UNT are required to schedule an appointment with their Academic Advisor and receive an advising code to register for classes both fall and spring semesters of the first year in college. ALL students should meet with their Academic Advisor at least one time per long semester (Fall & Spring). It is important to update your degree plan on a regular basis to ensure that you are on track for a timely graduation.

### UNT FALL 2023 Semester Calendar

Academic Calendar is subject to change

<u>KEY SEMESTER DATES</u>	Full Semester AUG. 21-DEC. 15	8 week I Session AUG. 21-OCT. 13	8 week II Session OCT. 16-DEC.15
<b>Schedule of Classes Available on myUNT</b>	Mar. 6	Mar. 6	Mar. 6
<b>Registration Opens</b> for specifics by student group/class: <a href="https://registrar.unt.edu/when-can-i-register">https://registrar.unt.edu/when-can-i-register</a>	Mar. 20	Mar. 20	Mar. 20
<b>Regular Registration Ends</b>	Aug. 17	Aug. 17	Oct. 12
<b>Late Registration—For Students not Registered for the Term</b> Students registering late will incur a late registration fee of \$75.	Aug. 18-Aug. 25	Aug. 18-Aug. 25	Oct. 13-Oct. 20
<b>Last Day to Withdrawal from Entire Term on myUNT</b> Courses do not appear on the transcript. After this date see Dean of Students to withdrawal from the entire term.	Aug. 20	Aug. 20	Oct. 15
<b>Classes Begin</b>	Aug. 21	Aug. 21	Oct. 16
<b>Last Day to Add a Class Section</b>	Aug. 25	Aug. 25	Oct. 20
<b>Census—Official Enrollment Determined</b> Last day to drop a course section to no longer appear on the official transcript. (Dropping courses may impact financial aid and degree completion. See advisors.)	Sept. 1	Aug. 26	Oct. 21
<b>Drop with a Grade of W Begins</b> Beginning this date, students can drop a course with a grade of W. The course appears on the transcript with a grade of W and tuition and fees remain. (Dropping courses may impact financial aid and degree completion. See advisors.)	Sept. 2	Aug. 27	Oct. 22
<b>Last day to change to pass/no pass grade option (undergrads)</b>	Sept. 29	Sept. 8	Nov. 3
<b>Midpoint of the Semester</b>	Oct. 13	Sept. 15	Nov. 10
<b>Last day for a student to drop a course or all courses with a grade of W.</b>	Nov. 10	Sept. 29	Dec. 1
<b>First day to request a grade of Incomplete</b>	Nov. 11	Sept. 30	Dec. 2
<b>Pre-Finals Days</b>	Dec. 6-7	N/A	N/A
<b>Last Regular Class Meeting</b>	Dec. 7	Oct. 12	Dec. 14
<b>Reading Day—No Classes</b>	Dec. 8	N/A	N/A
<b>Final Exams</b>	Dec. 9-15	Oct. 13	Dec. 15
<b>Last Day of Session</b>	Dec. 15	Oct. 13	Dec. 15
<b>University Grade Submission Deadline 4 pm</b>	Dec. 18	Oct. 16	Dec. 18
<b>Grades/Academic Standing posted on the Official Transcript</b>	Dec. 20	Dec. 20	Dec. 20
Labor Day - No Classes	September 4		
Thanksgiving Break - No classes	November 20-26		

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**It is imperative that students have paid for all enrolled classes. Please check your online schedule daily through late registration to ensure you have not been dropped for non-payment of any amount.** Students have been unknowingly dropped from classes for various reasons such as financial aid, schedule change fees, parking fees, etc. MSOJ will not be able to reinstate students for any reason after late registration, regardless of situation. It is the student's responsibility to ensure all payments have been made.

## **ACCREDITATION**

The Mayborn, which is one of over 100 journalism programs across the world that are accredited, is renewing its credentials this year. Accreditation is important to you because it means your degree is more valuable than one that comes from an unaccredited school.

Accreditation has profound benefits. Accredited programs may offer scholarships, internships, competitive prizes, and other activities unavailable in non-accredited programs.

Accreditation also provides an assurance of quality and rigorous standards to students, parents, and the public. Students in an accredited program can expect to find a challenging curriculum, appropriate resources and facilities, and a competent faculty.

Accreditation is our promise to our students that you will receive the best education possible in journalism and mass communication. With today's technology, anyone can present information to a mass audience. But not all are trained in the creation of ethical messages that reach and serve diverse audiences that our standards uphold. What you learn in an accredited program makes you more marketable and your degree more valuable!

The Mayborn School's accreditation is determined by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC) through an extensive evaluation process. Accreditation by the ACEJMC council means we embrace the value of a broad, multidisciplinary curriculum that nurtures critical thinking, analytic reasoning and problem-solving skills that are the essential foundation for all mass communication education.

## **ADOBE ACCESS**

UNT now has a new contract with Adobe. The following link contains all the information that students will need to purchase a subscription, and opt-out of an existing agreement that is at a higher price: the Adobe general educational offer is \$19.99-\$29.99 per month, our offer is only \$55.55 total). <https://news.cvad.unt.edu/adobe>

The email address for students to ask questions or report problems is [unatadobe@unt.edu](mailto:unatadobe@unt.edu).

## **JOURNALISM EQUIPMENT CHECK OUT**

Checkouts are for 24 hours from the time of checkout, unless specified differently from your assigned Professor.

If the student needs equipment for 48 hours or longer, please send an email with an Approval from your Professor to:

[mayborn-equipment@unt.edu](mailto:mayborn-equipment@unt.edu) or [ladaniel.maxwell@unt.edu](mailto:ladaniel.maxwell@unt.edu).

For your convenience, the hours for the equipment room are as follows:

9:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m. - Monday through Thursday

9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. - Friday  
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. - Saturday and Sunday.

The violations listed below will occur if due equipment is not return on the agreed time.

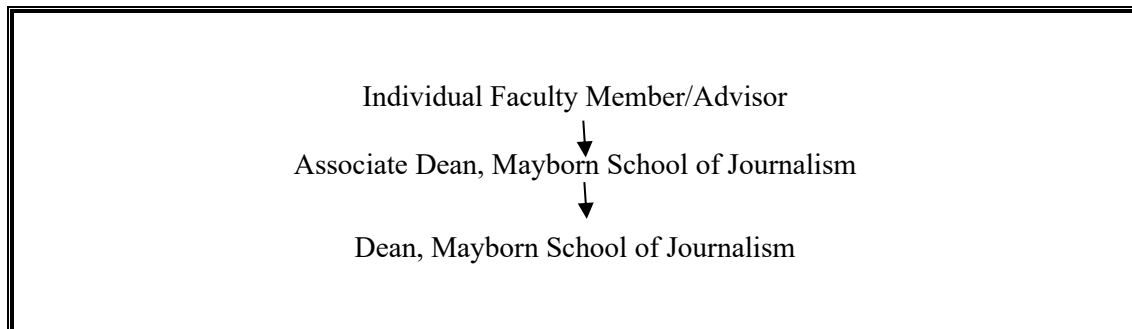
- 1<sup>st</sup> late infraction – 1 week ban from checking out equipment.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> late infraction – 3 weeks ban from checking out equipment.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> infraction – Semester long ban from any and all equipment checkout.

If you are going to be late or unable to return equipment that you checked out on time, please email [mayborn-equipment@unt.edu](mailto:mayborn-equipment@unt.edu) or [ladaniel.maxwell@unt.edu](mailto:ladaniel.maxwell@unt.edu) Active communication brings leniency in many cases.

Equipment room phone number is 940-565-3580.  
Equipment room is located in CHIL 155.

## ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Understanding the academic organizational structure and appropriate Chain of Command is important when resolving class-related or advising issues. When you need problems resolved, please follow the steps outlined below:



## OFFICE OF DISABILITY ACCESS

The University of North Texas and the Mayborn School of Journalism make reasonable academic accommodation for students with disabilities. Students seeking accommodation must first register with the Office of Disability Access (ODA) to verify their eligibility. If a disability is verified, the ODA will provide you with an accommodation letter to be delivered to faculty to begin a private discussion regarding your specific needs in a course. You may request accommodations at any time. However, ODA notices of accommodation should be provided as early as possible in the semester to avoid any delay in implementation. Note that students must obtain a new letter of accommodation for every semester and must meet with each faculty member prior to implementation in each class.

**Students are strongly encouraged to deliver letters of accommodation during faculty office hours or by appointment. Faculty members have the authority to ask students to discuss such letters during their designated office hours to protect the privacy of the student.**

For additional information see the website for the [Office of Disability Access](http://www.unt.edu/oda) (<http://www.unt.edu/oda>). You may also contact them by phone at 940.565.4323.

## **COURSE SAFETY STATEMENTS**

Students in the Mayborn School of Journalism are urged to use proper safety procedures and guidelines. While working in laboratory sessions, students are expected and required to identify and use property safety guidelines in all activities requiring lifting, climbing, walking on slippery surfaces, using equipment and tools, handling chemical solutions and hot and cold products. Students should be aware that the University of North Texas is not liable for injuries incurred while students are participating in class activities. All students are encouraged to secure adequate insurance coverage in the event of accidental injury. Students who do not have insurance coverage should consider obtaining Student Health Insurance for this insurance program. Brochures for this insurance are available in the UNT Health and Wellness Center on campus. Students who are injured during class activities may seek medical attention at the UNT Health and Wellness Center at rates that are reduced compared to other medical facilities. If you have an insurance plan other than Student Health Insurance at UNT, please be sure that your plan covers treatment at this facility. If you choose not to go to the UNT Health and Wellness Center, you may be transported to an emergency room at a local hospital. You are responsible for expenses incurred there.

## **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY**

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, the use of any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests, or exams; dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor, the acquisition of tests or other material belonging to a faculty member, dual submission of a paper or project, resubmission of a paper or project to a different class without express permission from the instructors, or any other act designed to give a student an unfair advantage. Plagiarism includes the paraphrase or direct quotation of published or unpublished works *without* full and clear acknowledgment of the author/source. Academic dishonesty will bring about disciplinary action which may include expulsion from the university. This is explained in the UNT Student Handbook.

## **MSOJ ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY**

The codes of ethics from the Society of Professional Journalists, American Advertising Federation and Public Relations Society of America address truth and honesty. The Mayborn School of Journalism embraces these tenets and believes that academic dishonesty of any kind – including plagiarism and fabrication – is incongruent with all areas of journalism. The school's policy aligns with UNT Policy 06.003 and requires reporting any act of academic dishonesty to the Office for Academic Integrity for investigation. If the student has a previous confirmed offense (whether the first offense was in the journalism school or another university department) and the student is found to have committed another offense, the department will request the additional sanction of removing the student from the Mayborn School of Journalism. The student may appeal to the Office for Academic Integrity, which ensures due process and allows the student to remain in class pending the appeal.

## **FINAL EXAM POLICY**

Final exams will be administered at the designated times during the final week of each long semester and during the specified day of each summer term. Please check the course calendar early in the semester to avoid any schedule conflicts.

## **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

As you know, your access point for business and academic services at UNT occurs within the [My.UNT site](http://www.my.unt.edu) (www.my.unt.edu). If you do not regularly check EagleConnect or link it to your favorite e-mail account, please do so, as this is where you learn about job and internship opportunities, MSOJ events,



scholarships, and other important information. Visit the [Eagle Connect website](http://eagleconnect.unt.edu/) for more information (<http://eagleconnect.unt.edu/>) including tips on how to forward your email.

## **COURSES IN A BOX**

Any MSOJ equivalent course from another university must receive prior approval from the MSOJ academic advisor to ensure that all MSOJ degree plan requirements are met. For example, courses that are taken online or from a program that offers course material via CD, booklet, or other manner of correspondence must have prior advisor approval.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR F-1 STUDENTS TAKING DISTANCE EDUCATION COURSES**

To comply with immigration regulations, an F-1 visa holder within the United States may need to engage in an on-campus experiential component for this course. This component (which must be approved in advance by the instructor) can include activities such as taking an on-campus exam, participating in multiple on-campus lecture or lab activity, or other on-campus experience integral to the completion of this course.

If such an on-campus activity is required, it is the student's responsibility to do the following:

- (1) Submit a written request to the instructor for an on-campus experiential component within one week of the start of the course.
- (2) Ensure that the activity on campus takes place and the instructor documents it in writing with a notice sent to the International Advising Office. The UNT International Advising Office has a form available that you may use for this purpose.

Because the decision may have serious immigration consequences, if an F-1 student is unsure about his or her need to participate in an on-campus experiential component for this course, students should contact the UNT International Advising Office (telephone 940-565-2195 or email [international@unt.edu](mailto:international@unt.edu)) to get clarification before the one-week deadline.

## **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION & PROCEDURES**

UNT uses a system called Eagle Alert to quickly notify you with critical information in an event of emergency (i.e., severe weather, campus closing, and health and public safety emergencies like chemical spills, fires, or violence). In the event of a university closure, please refer to Canvas for contingency plans for covering course materials. If Canvas is not accessible during the emergency, contact me via email or phone for more information. Students should confirm that their Eagle Alert contact information is correct via the myUNT portal.

## **STUDENT PERCEPTIONS OF TEACHING (SPOT)**

Student feedback is important and an essential part of participation in this course. The student evaluation of instruction is a requirement for all organized classes at UNT. The short SPOT survey will be made available to provide you with an opportunity to evaluate how this course is taught. You will receive an email from "UNT SPOT Course Evaluations via *IASystem* Notification" ([no-reply@iasystem.org](mailto:no-reply@iasystem.org)) with the survey link. Please look for the email in your UNT email inbox. Simply click on the link and complete your survey. Once you complete the survey you will receive a confirmation email that the survey has been submitted. For additional information, please visit the [SPOT website](http://www.spot.unt.edu) ([www.spot.unt.edu](http://www.spot.unt.edu)) or email [spot@unt.edu](mailto:spot@unt.edu). Spots survey dates:

<b>Term</b>	<b>Survey Administration Dates</b>
<a href="#"><u>8W1</u></a>	10/2/2023 – 10/12/2023
<a href="#"><u>8W2</u></a>	12/4/2023 – 12/14/2023
<a href="#"><u>Reg Fall Term</u></a>	11/20/2023 – 12/7/2023

## **ACCEPTABLE STUDENT BEHAVIOR**

Student behavior that interferes with an instructor’s ability to conduct a class or other students' opportunity to learn is unacceptable and disruptive and will not be tolerated in any instructional forum at UNT. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior will be directed to leave the classroom and the instructor may refer the student to the Dean of Students to consider whether the student's conduct violated the Code of Student Conduct. The university's expectations for student conduct apply to all instructional forums, including university and electronic classroom, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The Code of Student Conduct can be found on the [Dean Of Students website](http://www.deanofstudents.unt.edu) (www.deanofstudents.unt.edu).

## **CLASSROOM POLICIES**

The Mayborn School of Journalism requires that students respect and maintain all university property. Students will be held accountable through disciplinary action for any intentional damages they cause in classrooms. (e.g., writing on tables). Disruptive behavior is not tolerated (e.g., arriving late, leaving early, sleeping, talking on the phone, texting or game playing, making inappropriate comments, ringing cellular phones/beepers, dressing inappropriately).

## **SEXUAL DISCRIMINATION, HARRASSMENT, & ASSAULT**

UNT is committed to providing an environment free of all forms of discrimination and sexual harassment, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. If you (or someone you know) has experienced or experiences any of these acts of aggression, please know that you are not alone. The federal Title IX law makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender are Civil Rights offenses. UNT has staff members trained to support you in navigating campus life, accessing health and counseling services, providing academic and housing accommodations, helping with legal protective orders, and more.

[UNT’s Dean of Students’ website](http://deanofstudents.unt.edu/resources_0) (http://deanofstudents.unt.edu/resources\_0) offers a range of on-campus and off-campus resources to help support survivors, depending on their unique needs. Renee LeClaire McNamara is UNT’s Student Advocate and she can be reached through e-mail at [SurvivorAdvocate@unt.edu](mailto:SurvivorAdvocate@unt.edu) or by calling the Dean of Students’ office at 940-565-2648. You are not alone. We are here to help.

## **MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

UNT provides mental health services to students to help ensure there are numerous outlets to turn to that wholeheartedly care for and are there for students in need, regardless of the issue or its severity. Listed below are several resources on campus that can support your academic success and mental well-being:

1. [Student Health and Wellness Center](https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/student-health-and-wellness-center#programs)  
(https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/student-health-and-wellness-center#programs)  
1800 Chestnut St. (Chestnut Hall)  
940-565-2333  
M-Th, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

2. [Counseling and Testing Services](https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/counseling-and-testing-services) – Free to UNT Students  
(<https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/counseling-and-testing-services>)  
801 N. Texas Blvd., Suite 140 (Gateway Center)  
940-565-2741  
M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

3. [UNT CARE Team](https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/care) – Free to UNT Students  
(<https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/care>)  
Dean of Students, University Union  
940-565-2648  
[careteam@unt.edu](mailto:careteam@unt.edu)

4. [Psychiatric Services](https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/student-health-and-wellness-center/services/psychiatry)  
(<https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/student-health-and-wellness-center/services/psychiatry>)  
940-565-2333

5. [Individual Counseling](https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/counseling-and-testing-services/services/individual-counseling) – Free to UNT Students  
(<https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/counseling-and-testing-services/services/individual-counseling>)  
940-369-8773

If at any time you are feeling alone or in jeopardy of self-harm, reach out to any of the following:

- National Suicide Hotline 800-273-8255
- Denton County MHMR Crisis Line 800-762-0157
- Denton County Friends of the Family Crisis Line (family or intimate partner violence) 940-382-7273
- UNT Mental Health Emergency Contacts
  - During office hours, M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m: Call 940-565-2741
  - After hours: Call 940-565-2741
  - Crisis Line: Text CONNECT to 741741
  - [Live chat](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org): (<http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org>)

## STATEMENTS OF STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

### Statement of Student Learning Outcomes, UNT Mayborn School of Journalism

Since 1969, the UNT Department of Journalism (Mayborn School of Journalism effective September 1, 2009) has been accredited by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. This national accreditation also extends to the Mayborn Graduate Institute of Journalism, the only accredited professional master's program in Texas. About one-fourth of all journalism and mass communication programs in the United States are accredited by ACEJMC. National accreditation enhances your education here, because it certifies that the department and graduate institute adhere to many standards established by the council. Among these standards are student learning outcomes, covered by journalism courses in all sequences.

This course, JOUR 3300, will help to meet the student learning outcomes that have been checked by your professor, Bryan Lochhead.

Each graduate must:

- Understand concepts and apply theories in the use and presentation of images and information
- Demonstrate an understanding of professional ethical principles and work ethically in pursuit of truth, accuracy, fairness and diversity

- Think critically, creatively and independently
- Write correctly and clearly in forms and styles appropriate for the communications professions, audiences and purposes they serve
- Critically evaluate their own work and that of others for accuracy and fairness, clarity, appropriate style and grammatical correctness
- Apply tools and technologies appropriate for the communications professions in which they work

## **FALL 2023 CLASS SCHEDULE**

### **Jour 3300 Intro to Visual Communications for News (stills/photojournalism)**

For this course, students will study photojournalism using still cameras for half of the semester, and photojournalism using video cameras for the other half. Each portion of the course is approximately 8 weeks. Students will have a different instructor for each portion of the class. The grades for the two sections will be averaged at the end of the semester for the final course grade. **The schedule below is subject to change during the semester depending on student progress and class needs. Canvas will have the latest information in the weekly modules.**

### **STILL PHOTOGRAPHY**

- WEEK 1:** Syllabus; Equipment Checkout Signup; Intro to the camera, Workflow/Exposure (Assignment #1), \*Learning the DSLR, Intro to Photoshop, Bridge, Camera Raw Filter and submitting your work.\*
- WEEK 2:** Workflow assignment review. Photo Assignment #2 Exposure / Composition – “The World Around Me”, Composition Lecture
- WEEK 3:** Review A2, Quiz 1, In Class 1 - DOF
- WEEK 4:** Assignment #3 Portraits. Photographing Pets, Review IC1 DOF
- WEEK 5:** Review A#3 Portraits, Assign A4 Event, IC2 Motion
- WEEK 6:** **Thanksgiving Break**
- WEEK 7:** Photo Assignment #5 Photo Essay, Exam Review, IC2 Review
- WEEK 8:** Assignment #5 due, Exam