

# **Syllabus**

#### **COM 202 - Introduction to Mass Communication**

### **General Information**

Date March 29th, 2023

**Department** Visual and Performing Arts

Course Prefix COM

**Course Number 202** 

Course Title Introduction to Mass Communication

### Course Information

**Catalog Description** This course is designed to orient students to the field of Mass Communication and its impact and influence on their lives. Included is an overview of the field and discussion of the traditional mass media industries (newspapers, magazines, radio, television, movies and music) as well as new and emerging media. Regulations, responsibilities, convergence and the cultural impact of traditional and new media are discussed and evaluated

**Credit Hours** 3

**Lecture Contact Hours** 3

Lab Contact Hours 0

Other Contact Hours 0

**Grading Scheme** Letter

# **Prerequisites**

None

# Co-requisites

None

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### First Year Experience/Capstone Designation

This course is designated as satisfying the outcomes applicable for status as a Capstone Course

### **SUNY General Education**

This course is designated as satisfying a requirement in the following SUNY Gen Ed category

None

### **FLCC Values**

**Institutional Learning Outcomes Addressed by the Course**None

# **Course Learning Outcomes**

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- 1. Describe the history and development of mass media
- 2. Describe the various types of media, their characteristics and their purposes
- 3. Analyze constraints on the media
- 4. Describe the ethical considerations and responsibilities of the media and its consumers.
- 5. Analyze new and emerging technologies and their impact on traditional media, popular culture and themselves

### **Outline of Topics Covered**

- 1. Media Theory and Economics
- 2. Books and Magazines
- 3. Newspapers
- 4. Radio and Recorded Music
- 5. Film
- 6. Television
- 7. Advertising
- 8. Public Relations
- 9. Internet
- 10. Media Ethics
- 11. New technologies and the Future of Mass Communication

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