

**Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus**

Course Prefix and Number: COMM 250 **Credit Hours:** 3

Course Title: News Reporting

Course Prerequisites: COMM 202

Textbook: Barnas, Frank and White, Ted. *Broadcast News Writing, Reporting, and Producing*. 7th Edition.

Course Description: This course is a comprehensive study in methods of reporting news and sports stories. Emphasis will be placed on production values, laws and regulations, marketing, and the role of current technology as it relates to news and sports gathering.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this course the student will

- A. produce file footage with an easy way to access different clips;
- B. produce material for news/sports segments under two minutes in length following stated criteria; and
- C. understand the unique aspects of writing for print journalism, radio, TV, and Internet mediums.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will

(The letter designations at the end of each statement refer to the learning outcome(s).)

- 1. list and shoot different areas of the community and college. (A, B)
- 2. gather national news information from national and local news sources. (B)
- 3. rewrite news for television from newspaper reference. (B,C)
- 4. produce scripts for broadcast, internet or print from press conferences and interviews. (B, C)

Course Requirements: This course requires attendance, class participation, assignments, exams, and projects as determined by the instructor.

Course Grading Scale:	90 – 100	A
	80 – 89	B
	70 – 79	C
	60 – 69	D
	0 – 59	F

Attendance Policy: The college attendance policy is available at <http://www.bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html>

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