# JOUR 7060 Advanced English for International (3,2,1) News

This course will provide the advanced English skills needed for international journalism. Students will learn advanced techniques for reading, writing, speaking and newsgathering in English. Though a variety of skills will be addressed, this course focuses on writing. Students will maintain an online professional portfolio as well as analyse and produce written works of journalism in English.

#### JOUR 7070 Theories of Journalism and (3,3,0) Communication

This course examines the theoretical perspectives and practices regarding the performance, role, functions, and effects of journalism and media in modern society, with a specific emphasis on issues in the greater China region.

#### JOUR 7080 Current Issues and Case Studies in (3,3,0) International News

The foci of international news are constantly moving due to developments in national and global politics, society, business and technology. This course is designed to allow students to concentrate on the major debates of international news as well as controversies that arise during the period of the Programme or in which there is a special interest. Topic areas can be chosen at the start of term or during term in order to provide the opportunity to discuss the most current issues.

### JOUR 7090 International News Translation (3,3,0

This course aims at enhancing the student's ability in handling information for news purpose in the bilingual context of Hong Kong. Emphasis is put on developing the student's sensitivity to the differences between Chinese and English and awareness of the cultural role of the news translator. Against this background, principles and methods appropriate to a variety of contexts of news translation are introduced.

# JOUR 7100 Advanced News Writing and (3,3,0) Production for International Practice

Prerequisite: JOUR7050 Newsgathering for International Practice

This Course covers international beat reporting, feature writing and opinion writing. Students will gather information, find and interview sources for international stories for general news and specialist areas. They will also learn to report and write features for foreign or international audiences and to produce their own opinion pieces. Ethical issues in international reporting and the potential dangers and special difficulties of international news work will be discussed.

# JOUR 7110 Reporting International Conflict (3,3,0)

This course will examine the work of war reporters in a variety of wars as well as explore the nature of war and the interaction between the experience of warfare and the conventional accounts of it. It will consider the role of history, mythology and reportage in forming beliefs and expectations about war and peace. Students will encounter a wide variety of theories about international conflict and its relationship to international news and will be encouraged to formulate and express their own positions on the matter.

## JOUR 7120 International Business and (3,3,0) Financial Reporting

This course provides specialist knowledge of business and finance as needed for international news coverage for students who do not have a business background. Students will be introduced to basic economic principles and concepts, international economic relations and contemporary business issues. Key techniques of reporting and writing business and financial news will be covered.

## JOUR 7130 Project or Dissertation (3,3,

The Project or Dissertation provides the opportunity for students to reflect upon the content of the whole course and produce a

piece of work examining in-depth an issue in or of the news that has high relevance to the East and/or Southeast Asian region.

JOUR 7140 Globalisation, Economics and Finance (3,3,0) This subject is intended to provide students with an overview of globalisation as an issue and a subject for journalism. The origins and extent of globalisation will be explored and its consequences investigated and discussed. Students will be expected to develop a critical awareness of the arguments deployed by rival camps and put business and financial stories in a global context.

#### JOUR 7150 Business News Writing (3,3,0)

This subject introduces students to different kinds of news stories, sourcing and writing skills. It also aims to integrate students' knowledge of business, economics and finance with the reporting and writing of business and financial news. It provides students with the skills for reporting and writing international business, economics and finance news. Some specialised styles of writing also will be offered.

## JOUR 7160 Principles of Economics (3,3,0

This subject is designed to provide a theoretical and scholarly framework which complements JOUR7170 Business and Finance. It will provide students with basic knowledge of economic theories useful to business journalists. Students will appreciate the analytical framework of modern economics and its history. Current and perennial controversies and arguments will be explored.

## JOUR 7170 Business and Finance (3,3,0

The objective of this course is to provide knowledge of business and financial structures and processes appropriate to the requirements of financial journalism. The main emphasis will be on professional practices and perspectives. Students will learn the differences between theory and practice, and will be expected to be conversant with and critical of both.

## JOUR 7180 Advanced Business News Writing and (3,3,0) Production

Prerequisite: JOUR7150 Writing for Business News

This is an advanced course in business news writing. The course aims at providing students with the knowledge of the development of global business since World War II and the role played by giant corporations in economic development. It also will enable students to understand the success secrets of epoch-making companies and provide students with the skills to write in-depth and colourful profile stories of today's world corporations and their successful leaders as well as business trend stories. They will also learn the art of writing business commentaries and analyses.

# JOUR 7190 Internship (0,\*,\*)

This course is intended to help students in the BFJ concentration to apply their knowledge to the real-world work practices. Students will have to complete a work assignment related to their area of interest with a local media agency. The course enables students to gain a variety of practical work experience under professional supervision and guidance. Evaluation is made by both faculty supervisor and the supervisor in the interning organization.

## JOUR 7200 News Production Workshop (3,2,1)

This subject introduces students to professional practices of reporting, producing and editing news items for news media and develops students' abilities to work within an appropriate framework. Through practical writing exercises, students will learn the techniques of basic news reporting and writing as well as feature writing. Students will also be prepared for entry-level opinion writing by developing their writing, research and analytical skills. The principles and practice of news selection, copy editing, headline writing and page layout will also be covered.