

**DEPARTMENT OF AMERICAN STUDIES**  
*John W. Gallivan Program in Journalism, Ethics & Democracy*  
**AMST 30100: "Fundamentals of Journalism"**  
**Application for Fall Semester 2010**

What is news? What are the most effective ways of presenting news to the public? What ethical decisions are involved in gathering and reporting news? These are a few of the questions addressed in "Fundamentals of Journalism," which is the gateway course for the Gallivan Program in Journalism, Ethics & Democracy. (Applicants should be sophomores or juniors who are interested in pursuing the five-course concentration in journalism, and "Fundamentals" should be the first class in this sequence.) The "Fundamentals" course is held on Mondays from 9:35-12:15, and you cannot take any other journalism classes before or during "Fundamentals of Journalism." It is the initial course in the minor.

Please complete this application being as thorough as possible and submit two copies: one via email to Professor F. Richard Ciccone at [@aol.com](mailto:fciccone@aol.com) and one printed to 314 O'Shaughnessy **no later than noon, Friday, March 19**. After the selection committee meets, a class roster will be posted on the door of 314 O'Shaughnessy Hall. If your name appears on that posted list, you will then be authorized to register for the class.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ I.D: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Declared major, if any : \_\_\_\_\_

If you are admitted into the "Fundamentals of Journalism" course, you agree not to take any other journalism course until you have completed "Fundamentals of Journalism."

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

In a statement of between 200 and 250 words, please explain why you intend to pursue a career in journalism. Include within your statement any writing or journalistic experience you have, and the area of journalism that interests you the most.