



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI TORINO

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VP04_DIP_CPS

Visiting Professor Program Academic year 2020/2021

DEPARTMENT OF CULTURES, POLITICS AND SOCIETY

TEACHING COMMITMENT: 18 hours

COURSE TITLE

Journalism and Democracy in Social Media Age

TEACHING PERIOD

2nd term

SCIENTIFIC AREA

Political Science

LANGUAGE USED TO TEACH

English

COURSE SUMMARY

The course will address the question of the role of journalism in contemporary democracies. This will include topics such as the professional evolution of journalism; trust in the media; the news media as an institution or as a political actor; the circulation of news in the digital environment; algorithms, filter bubbles, misinformation, and fake news.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The course aims to provide students with:

- good knowledge of the scientific debate on the changes involving journalism in contemporary democracies;
- skills needed to discuss, in-depth and consciously, the issues addressed in class;

- ability to discuss, critically and with independent judgment, the main interpretations concerning the role of news media in the social media age;
- correct use of specific language.

TUTORSHIP ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)

LAB ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)

OTHER ACTIVITIES (IF APPLICABLE)

VISITING PROFESSOR PROFILE DESCRIPTION

Research and teaching experience at the international level in the field of political communication, public opinion, and/or sociology of journalism, with top publications.

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