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2018/2019 SEMESTER EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER: MAIN

TITLE OF PAPER: INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AND PRECISION JOURNALISM

COURSE CODE: JMC 360

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer THREE questions. At least one question from each section.
2. Spelling and grammar will count in grading.
3. Use your examples to illustrate your answer(s)

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Read carefully this story published by AmaBhungane Centre for Investigative Journalism which dug up the truth about corruption in the mining sector in the country. Give an analysis of this story from the investigative journalism perspective.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 2

Discuss the challenges of investigative journalism eSwatini, suggesting practical ways in these challenges can be overcome.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 3

Witnesses may have a range of reasons for not wanting to speak to the press, such as fear for their lives and families, possibility of prosecution, the prospect of a job loss or plain guilt. Identify the other kinds of sources you may turn to get secret information.

(20 Marks)

SECTION B

QUESTION 4

Framing an investigation as a hypothesis is a procedure as old science, and it is used successfully in domains as different as police work and business consulting. Explain how hypotheses work in investigative reporting.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 5

Discuss the procedures that are followed when you are covering dangerous sources.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 6

Every reporter has a personal stock of interview tactics and many reporters never change them, like seducers who know only one line. Identify the best interview tactics needed by a reporter doing an investigative piece.

(20 Marks)