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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)
LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT

Subject selectors will complete this form as requested, assessing library materials and collections as detailed below. Send one copy of the assessment to the faculty member who requested it. Send one copy of the assessment to the Collection Management Officer.

Program: JOR/BES 433

Department, College: Journalism & CELS

Faculty Members: Professor Kendall Moore

Date returned to Faculty: December 13, 2016

Librarian Completing Assessment: Michael Cerbo II

Collection Management Officer: Professor Joanna Burkhardt

This 3 credit interdisciplinary course is titled "Using Multimedia to Communicate Science" and requires little, if any, research. "The course will be required for all students in the writing certificate program of the MESM (Masters of Environmental Science and Management) program. It will be an elective for undergraduate journalism majors."

We are able to add whatever appropriate monographic needs may arise for the instructors. Our monographic holdings in journalism and the sciences are good and any additional materials can be ordered through the Library or garnered using Inter-Library Loan (ILL).

Access to journals in this field meets the needs of the course. Our online indexes and abstracts in journalism and the sciences should more than meet the demands of this graduate course. In particular, access to reference databases such as Journalism and Mass Communication Abstracts, Web of Science, and the more general Academic Search Complete are available. We are unable to add any new journal titles except through a drop/add policy that requires the department to identify a journal title (of equal value) it would like to drop from its serials list to permit the addition of another. However, our current holdings in this field seem sufficient.

Therefore, the librarian believes that the Library can support, bibliographically, the needs of the students to be able to acquire the most out of this course.

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Biological Sciences Bibliographer
13 December 2016