



Subject Guide to Journalism

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Selected Reference and Other Books

General

- 📖 **The CQ Researcher** [HE35.E35 Ref index table 1] – (1991-current) - provides comprehensive reporting and analysis of current events. Each professionally written report contains unbiased information on the topic's past, present, and future, chronology, pro/com positions, and bibliographies.
- 📖 **The Troubles of Journalism: A Critical Look at What's Right and Wrong with the Press, 3rd edition** [PN4855.H24 2005 eb]- discusses current issues in journalism such as the global impact of the American media, the decline of print newspapers, news availability and sources on the Internet, and covering news stories "in the era of terrorism". Currently available online through NetLibrary.
- 📖 **Understanding Journalism: A Guide to Issues** [PN4728.W55 1996 Ref] – covers issues that range in topic from government bias and censorship, to animals rights and obscenity. This informative work is a valuable guide to all those involved in journalism and the media. Based on the first hand experience of a journalist, it covers all areas that make journalism controversial in the eye of the general public.
- 📖 **Library in a Book: Power of the News Media** [PN4888.B74 H46 2004 Ref] – contains biographical, historical, legal and bibliographical information concerning news media issues and journalism education.
- 📖 **Qualitative Research in Journalism: Taking it to the Streets** [PN4784 .R38 Q35 2004 eb]-a collection of essays dealing with journalism in the age of "public journalism" and the Internet. A glossary is provided. Currently available online through NetLibrary.

Dictionaries, Encyclopedias, and Handbooks

- 📖 **Encyclopedia of American Journalism** [PN4855. E53 2008 eb]-defines and discusses current and historical journalism/news media terminology, individuals, and services. Entries are presented alphabetically and thematically and an in-depth index section is provided. Currently available online through NetLibrary.
- 📖 **Sports Writing Handbook** [PN 4784 .S6 W66 2002eb] - –"The book tutors readers in the core techniques and methodology of sports writing, while at the same time exploring the important professional aspects of the business: how to get started and make a name for yourself; local, national, and feature writing; how the Internet is changing the face of sports writing; and where the business is headed over the next decade". *Libri GmbH*. This title is currently available online through NetLibrary.

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Style Manuals

- 📖 **The New York Time's Manual of Style and Usage** [PN4783.S57 1999 Ref] – the guidelines to correct hyphenation, punctuation, capitalization and foreign and English spelling are crisp and compact, created for instant reference in the rush of deadlines. For writers, editors, students, researchers and all who love language, it is an entertaining tool as well as an essential reference.

- 📖 **Stylebook and Briefing on Media Law** [P4783.A83 2004 Ref] – the 2004 edition of the most-consulted reference book in journalism adds 16 entries (among them airfare, anonymous sources, burqa, medevac, and Sacagawea) and updates many others (European Union, heavenly bodies, voodoo); entries that have been modified from the previous edition are listed at the beginning. The book includes a contact list of the AP's 43 US bureaus. *booknews.com*
- 📖 **The Associated Press Stylebook and Libel Manual** [PN4783.A83 2004 Ref]-“Defines clear news writing and contains more than 5,000 entries laying out AP’s rules on grammar, spelling, punctuation, and usage. Gives journalists the references needed to write about the world today. Also includes advice on how writers can guard against libel and copyright infringement”. *Amazon.com*.

Serials/Newspaper Directories

- 📖 **Gale Directory of Publications and Broadcast Media** [Z6951.A97 2001 Ref] – this 136th edition (along with 2002 updates) are mostly focused on published media, this includes geographic listings of all publishers and broadcast media by city and state within the United States, Canada (vols. 1 and 2) and by nation (vol. 5).

Selected Databases

- 📖 **Business Source Complete** [EBSCOhost] ^{Off-Campus Full-Text} – contains thousands of business periodicals including scholarly and trade journals. Includes EIU Country reports, Data monitor Company reports, and industry reports. Coverage 1965 and earlier - present.
- 📖 **Academic Search Premier** [EBSCOhost] ^{Off-Campus Full-Text} – the world’s largest academic multi-disciplinary database. Provides full text for nearly 4,650 serials, including full text for more than 3,000 peer-reviewed titles. PDF backfiles to 1975 or further are available for well over one hundred journals.
- 📖 **Clarion Ledger Index** ^{Off-Campus} - subject index for the Jackson *Clarion Ledger* going back to 1985.
- 📖 **Press Index** (1991-present) [FirstSearch Advanced] ^{Off-Campus} – indexes journals covering cultural, economic, political, and social change.
- 📖 **Alternative Press Index Archive** (1969-1990) [FirstSearch Advanced] ^{Off-Campus} – indexes journals covering cultural, economic, political, and social change.
- 📖 **Census Statistics** ^{Off-Campus Full-Text} – available as a link from the library’s “Federal Information-Reference Section” link
- 📖 **Newspaper Source** [EBSCOhost] ^{Off-Campus Full-Text} – contains full text for regional U.S. newspapers, international newspapers, newswires, and newspaper columns as well as other sources. This database also contains indexing and abstracts for national newspapers.
- 📖 **Regional Business News** [EBSCOhost] ^{Off-Campus Full-Text} – full-text newswire database that incorporates business wires from all over the world.

Selected Web Sites

- 🔗 **Knight Digital Media Center** [<http://www.knightdigitalmediacenter.org/>] –funded by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and presented through a partnership between the USC Annenberg School for Communication and the UC Berkeley Graduate School of Communication. The site provides access to journalism-related articles and blogs as well as featured links to online video and audio training materials and tutorials. Site searching is available and powered by Google.
- 🔗 **Student Press Law Center** [<http://splc.org>] – an advocate site for student free-press rights. Provides information, advice and legal assistance at no charge to students and the educators who work with them. The Student Press Law Center has been the nation's leading supporter of student news media in their struggle to cover important issues free from censorship.
- 🔗 **American Journalism Review** [<http://www.ajr.org>] – this important site links to several thousand newspapers, reference sources and selected articles from *American Journalism Review*.
- 🔗 **Journalism.org** [<http://www.journalism.org>] – the Project for Excellence in Journalism and the Committee of Concerned Journalists launched this site for journalists, students and general readers. Links to additional journalism sites, job openings, research and other sources.
- 🔗 **MediaShift** [<http://pbs.org/mediashift/>]- “Tracks how new media-from weblogs to podcasts to citizen journalism-are changing society and culture” (“Who we are”. <http://www.pbs.org/mediashift/>).

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