Course Objectives

✓ Acquire or strengthen the habit of being informed. Have well developed interests in aspects of the news that you daily pursue on an ongoing basis.
✓ Identify and articulate the picture of the world with which you approach the news or react to news that is surprising or alarming.
✓ Be able to philosophically analyze aspects of the news that interest you or seem to demand your attention, based on your picture of the world. Relate your philosophical analysis to other philosophical ideas or systems of thought.
✓ Be able to identify the ‘slant’ of a news story or the interests served by how a story is reported. Use both insights from other disciplines and from your philosophical analysis in the course of doing this and be able to state your sources and explain how you are applying them.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Apply philosophical analysis to events outside the philosophy curriculum.
- Be able to critically analyze your own assumptions in this application.
- Be able to critically engage the assumptions of others in non-academic contexts