

TECHNICAL SHEET OF THE SUBJECT

Data of the subject	
Subject name	Digital Culture
Subject code	E000005096
Main program	Bachelor's Degree in Journalism
Involved programs	Grado en Periodismo [Third year] Grado en Periodismo [Third year]
Level	Reglada Grado Europeo
Quarter	Semestral
Credits	6,0 ECTS
Type	Obligatoria (Grado)
Department	Centro de Enseñanza Superior Alberta Giménez (CESAG)
Coordinator	Nuria Blanco Hernández
Schedule	Check CESAG website.
Office hours	Monday and Tuesday from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. by appointment: nblanco@cesag.org.
Course overview	Key subject to understand the impact of new media, based on digital technologies, its influences on people's behavior, and its impact on digital and personal communication.

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Teacher	
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SPECIFIC DATA OF THE SUBJECT

Contextualization of the subject	
Contribution to the professional profile of the degree	
The professions linked to communication are experiencing a radical change. Since the mid-nineties, the emergence of the Internet, that before that date existed with little implementation, journalists, creators of audiovisual content, advertising and all Cultural producers, both writers and musicians, are seeing how the network introduces new approaches to their specialties. These new practices, in turn in evolution, imply a profound change in the relationship between the creator and the audience and, even, in the own definition of them. Today the hearings are producers and these are audience, in a reversal of roles totally without precedents.	
Prerequisites	
It is open to every student.	

Competencies - Objectives

Competences

GENERALES

CG08	Conocer, comprender y analizar críticamente la relación entre la prensa, los productos audiovisuales y los diversos factores socioculturales que intervienen en la recepción y consumo.
CG12	Reflexionar críticamente sobre la influencia que tienen los medios de comunicación en la sociedad, desarrollando sus funciones de formar, informar y entretenir.
CG13	Conocer la realidad social, cultural, política y de los medios de comunicación y sus interrelaciones en el contexto español, europeo e internacional.
CG14	Conocer la ética y la deontología del profesional de la comunicación así como su ordenamiento jurídico, tanto en lo referente a la práctica profesional como a los límites de la libertad de expresión.
CT10	Conocer y respetar la diversidad y la multiculturalidad

TRANSVERSALES

CT04	Observar, analizar y procesar informaciones relevantes para emitir juicios fundamentados científicamente.
CT12	Ser capaz de trabajar de manera autónoma adaptando las estrategias de aprendizaje a cada situación

ESPECÍFICAS

CE01	Crear contenidos de forma idónea utilizando los diferentes lenguajes, géneros, formatos y especializaciones propias del Periodismo, así como los diversos soportes, tanto analógicos como digitales
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Learning outcomes

RA2	Conocer la realidad social, cultural, política y de los medios de comunicación de la Comunidad Autónoma y sus interrelaciones en el contexto español, europeo y mundial.
RA3	Conocer la estructura y las políticas de la comunicación audiovisual.
RA4	Conocer el mercado audiovisual y las formas de promoción y explotación de los contenidos audiovisuales

THEMATIC BLOCKS AND CONTENTS

Contents - Thematic Blocks

1. Critical thinking in a world dominated by technology and screens.
2. Technology and society. Hypermodernity, turbotemporality, society of the ephemeral, technological determinism.
3. Characteristics of digital culture. Associated Phenomena.
4. Conceptual perspectives of digital culture. From the field of culture to daily life.

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5. Media convergence. Products and effects.
6. Effects and convergences between economy and culture. Globalization. Digital divide.
7. Socio-cultural effects. online identities. Privacy.
8. The world of social networks. Culture of connectivity.
9. New perception. visual culture. Addiction or devotion.
10. The future of new media. Big data.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

General methodological aspects of the subject

Teacher-student interaction (classroom-On-line)

Focused on the teacher. Theoretical classes

Focused on the student. Seminars, presentations, debate.

Autonomous work of the student (not face-to-face)

Study and individual work.

SUMMARY STUDENT WORKING HOURS

CLASSROOM HOURS	
Clases teóricas y clases prácticas	Seminarios, talleres y exposición de trabajos
45.00	15.00
NON-PRESENTIAL HOURS	
Estudio de teoría, preparación de trabajos, preparación de actividad de evaluación	
90.00	
ECTS CREDITS: 6,0 (150,00 hours)	

EVALUATION AND CRITERIA

The use of AI to produce full assignments or substantial parts thereof, without proper citation of the source or tool used, or without explicit permission in the assignment instructions, will be considered plagiarism and therefore subject to the University's General Regulations.

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Evaluation activities	Evaluation criteria	Weight
Final exam (no resitting)	<p>Knowledge of the content of the subject will be valued.</p> <p>The ability to associate concepts with each other.</p> <p>The ability to express ideas in an orderly and systematic way.</p> <p>The quality of the writing -at a syntactic and orthographic level.</p> <p>The organization and coherence of the exposed topic.</p> <p>The participation and quality of the oral presentation.</p>	50
Work group	<p>Knowledge of the subject and their interactions are valued.</p> <p>The capacity for reflection is valued.</p> <p>The ability to express clearly and precisely the concepts studied is valued.</p> <p>Linguistic correctness is also evaluated, from syntax to spelling.</p>	20
Academic Essay	<p>This academic essay should develop a journalistic issue from the perspective of digital culture.</p> <p>Assessing: language control, academic procedures, managing complex concepts and the usage of correct sources.</p>	20
Oral and written grammatical correction. At least 10% of the final mark will be allocated to the evaluation of the correct oral and written expression in the co-official languages, knowledge required in the degree as general competence and transversal competence. At this point spelling and grammar will be tested.	<p>Attitude, participation and motivation will also be valued.</p>	10

Ratings

To pass the total of the subject it is necessary to pass each one of the works and tasks assigned during the course plus the final test (exam).

Absence or non-participation, without just cause, will result in a 0 in the evaluation of that instrument.

- The projects and/or individual works will be recoverable (and essential to be able to take the extraordinary exam in July).
- Work group is not resist.

- The exam will not be resit, which will mean its repetition during the extraordinary call for the month of July.

IMPORTANT: The subject trains students in their specificities, also having as an objective the practice and improvement of the language. Both the most advanced aspects of morphology and syntax, as well as those of semantics, will be worked on, adapting the language to the different formats: written or audiovisual. Likewise, in the communicative function, the lexicon is given special attention as the basis for the enrichment of the language and its application to the different genres and texts, and the rules of the RAE and style books are followed. Spelling mistakes made by students in the different evaluation activities will be penalized.

It is essential that students learn to express themselves correctly and fluently orally or in writing, adapting to different registers, which includes the ability to write clear and well-structured texts, to analyze different types of speech and to write detailed expositions of topics. complex.

For these reasons, at least 10% of the final mark will be allocated to the evaluation of correct oral and written expression in the co-official languages, knowledge required in the degree as general competence and transversal competence. At this point spelling and grammar will be tested.

Both in the ordinary and in the extraordinary call, the same criteria will be applied in terms of spelling correction and oral expression.

WORK PLAN AND SCHEDULE

Activities	Date of realization	Delivery date
Partial exam	Week 5	Week 5
Second partial exam	Week 10	Week 10
Third partial exam	Week 15	Week 15
Essay. (Those who want to get an assessment, should produce the essay before Christmas)	Week 15	Week 15
Seminars	Weekly, except on weeks 1, 5, 10 and 15	Weekly, except on weeks 1, 5, 10 and 15

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Complementary Bibliography

A reader will be available at the beginning of the course.

In compliance with current regulations on the **protection of personal data**, we would like to inform you that you may consult the aspects related to privacy and data that you have accepted on your registration form by entering this website and clicking on "download"
<https://servicios.upcomillas.es/sedeelectronica/inicio.aspx?csv=02E4557CAA66F4A81663AD10CED66792>