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Commemorated every May 3, World Press Freedom Day recognizes the essential role a free press plays in a democracy. Every year, the U.S. government celebrates the fundamental principles of press freedom; to evaluate press freedom around the world, to defend the media from attacks on their independence and to pay tribute to journalists who have lost their lives in the exercise of their profession.

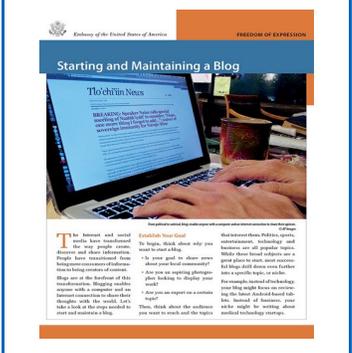
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Getting the Story Out: College Journalists Uphold Press Freedom
eJournalUSA, Department of State

At U.S. college campuses, future journalists get much of their education not in classrooms but on student newspapers, which are a laboratory for freedom of the press — a right established in the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Read More: <http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/publication/2014/02/20140220293707.html#axzz30o8P9af5>



Starting and Maintaining a Blog
IIP Pamphlet, Department of State

The Internet and social media have transformed the way people create, discover and share information. People have transitioned from being mere consumers of information to being creators of content.

Read more: <http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/pamphlet/2014/02/20140228295143.html#axzz30o8P9af5>



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| <p>A Practical Approach to Journalism Ethics IIP Pamphlet, Department of State</p> | <p>A Practical Approach to Journalism Ethics <i>IIP Pamphlet, Department of State</i></p> <p>The digital age has transformed how journalism is created and distributed. With the ubiquity of cellphones and other mobile devices that can connect to the Internet, the lines between content consumer and creator are blurred and sometimes erased. As the number and type of content sources increases, so does the possibility of citizens receiving and acting upon distorted or dishonest information.</p> <p>Read more: http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/pamphlet/2014/03/20140318296517.html#ixzz30pTZ0KSe</p> |
| <p>MEDIA LAW IIP Books, Department of State</p> | <p>Media Law Handbook <i>IIP Books, Department of State</i></p> <p>What are the privileges and responsibilities of a free press? In <i>Media Law Handbook</i>, Professor Jane Kirtley, Silha Professor of Media Ethics and Law at the University of Minnesota, explores how free societies answer this question.</p> <p>Read more: http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/publication/2011/04/20110428143515su0.4137776.html#ixzz30pUBhEO2</p> |
| <p>Cultivating Civil Society 2.0 <i>eJournalUSA, Department of State</i></p> | <p>Cultivating Civil Society 2.0 <i>eJournalUSA, Department of State</i></p> <p>Civil society consists of organizations and institutions that help and look after people, their health and their rights. The work of civil society groups complements the efforts of governments and the private sector. Thus, civil society is a vital player and essential partner in today's digital world.</p> <p>Read More: http://photos.state.gov/libraries/amgov/30145/publications-english/Cultivating_Civil_Society_Volume_16%20_Number_3.pdf</p> |
| <p>Media Making Change <i>eJournalUSA, Department of State</i></p> | <p>Media Making Change <i>eJournalUSA, Department of State</i></p> <p>Citizens of the online world use high-technology tools to influence social and political change.</p> <p>Read more: http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/publication/2011/11/2011117092504su0.5323559.html#ixzz30pVpbwtC</p> |



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ELIBRARYUSA RESOURCES



CQ Researcher has written reports about such topics as freedom of information and regulation and legal issues. You can find them by clicking on Browse Reports by Topics, then Media. This resource can be accessed at American Spaces in the Philippines.

Read More: <http://library.cqpress.com/cqresearcher/>



Filmakers Library Online

Filmakers Library Online offers a number of documentaries discussing freedom of expression, including sections covering journalism and information science subjects. This resource can be accessed at American Spaces in the Philippines. Click Browse Topics, then scroll to Women's Issues for a list of films. You can filter results by more specific subjects.

Read more: <http://elibraryusa.state.gov/databases/Filmakers%20Library%20Online>



Gale Virtual Reference Library

The Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties in America describes issues related to civil liberties and the people and historical events who shaped freedom of expression in the United States. You can access this title through Gale Virtual Reference Library under the topic of Law. This resource can be accessed at American Spaces in the Philippines.

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Searching ebrary for "journalism" shows a number of books about the practice of and the issues affecting journalism. This resource can be accessed at American Spaces in the Philippines. Search "Women United States" to get a list of titles, then use the check boxes at the top of the results page to narrow your search.

Read more: [http://elibraryusa.state.gov/databases/ebrary%20\(includes%20e-Libro%20and%20e-Livro\)](http://elibraryusa.state.gov/databases/ebrary%20(includes%20e-Libro%20and%20e-Livro))



Searching Academic OneFile for "freedom of the press" shows a variety of news and magazine articles and academic journal reports covering this topic. This resource can be accessed at American Spaces in the Philippines.

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VIDEO RESOURCES



Citizen Journalism: a discussion with Lila King

A global conversation in honor of World Press Freedom Day with Lila King, Senior Director for Social News at CNN. Ms. King leads the network's user-participation efforts, including overseeing CNN's user-generated news Web site, iReport.com. King shares her thoughts on citizen journalism and tools for civic engagement, plus engages participants on citizen journalism issues within their communities.

Watch recorded video here:

<https://conx.state.gov/media/citizen-journalism-discussion-with-cnns-lila-king/>



World Press Freedom: Journalism Ethics

With modern day technology there are many new questions for journalist on the use of online information, social media content and anonymous sources. Watch this webchat with Kelly McBride, one of the country's leading voices when it comes to media ethics, and Sharon Moshavi, journalism professionals and experts as they provide practical applications of journalism ethics in a digital age. Kelly tackled topics ranging from when to rely on anonymous sources to how to deal with the accuracy of social media content.

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