

Call for papers

Best Practice in teaching conflict, war and peace journalism

Supported by The Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO, the Department of Journalism and Media Studies at Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences organises the conference “Best Practice in teaching conflict, war and peace journalism”.

The conference will take place at Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences on 7-8 November 2016.

We welcome papers that seek to contribute to improving higher education in peace and war journalism, safety of journalists and freedom of expression.

Many journalism and media educations around the world today offer courses touching upon these issues. The purpose of the conference is to gather teachers and journalists to exchange knowledge and experience in order to improve teaching within this field. We seek to use the opportunity to exchange experiences from different pedagogical models and teaching techniques. The conference will open with a keynote speech by Professor Simon Cottle, University of Cardiff.

We invite papers discussing themes such as (but not limited to):

- Best practices in safety education for journalists
- Training and use of freelancers
- How to deal with traumatic experiences in conflict- and war situations
- Consequences of threats and violence against journalist for the coverage of conflict and war
- Theoretical models for analysing media coverage of conflict, war and peace issues
- How gender affects safety issues and conflict and war coverage
- How to use computer assisted research when traveling to war zones is too dangerous
- Protection of freedom of expression in dangerous situation
- How to deal with impunity
- Ethical challenges in sending students to danger areas
- How to protect teaching institutions and students in conflict areas
- How to produce relevant knowledge in order to protect reporters

We also welcome papers with other relevant topics within the field.

Abstracts of maximum 250 words should be sent to Professor Rune Ottosen **before 15 August 2016**. The number of participants will be limited and a maximum of 25 papers will be accepted. The best papers will be represented in a report, or, if the quality allows, an edited book after the conference. There is no registration fee and lunch is included. The participants are expected to cover their own costs for travel and accommodation. A limited number of scholarships of up to 800 Euros is available for Ph.D. students and researcher from low-income countries.

Paper submission and questions about the conference should be sent to rune.ottosen@hioa.no