JOU4930/Section #047E – Hearst Awards Projects

“We are Hearst / #winning” – Fall 2017

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• Meets Wednesdays, period 3 (9:35am – 10:25am), Weimer 2050, 3 course credits
• Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30am-11:30am, or by appointment

Course objectives: For students and faculty to work together with the goal of producing high-quality journalistic work in writing, photography and multimedia that should lead to the College submitting winning entries in the Hearst Intercollegiate Competition, this year or next.

Course format: As this is a special topics course, there are no tests, no pre-determined week-by-week course plan or textbooks required. However, weekly readings and/or assignments will be given out via email and Canvas. The emphasis will be on studying what makes winning entries as well as the culture of winning. We’ll analyze competitions such as Hearst, Pulitzers and College Football Championships. WWTTD? > “What Would Tim Tebow Do?”

Grading and evaluation: Fifty percent of your course grade is based on participation during our meetings. Do you have ideas and appropriate comments? The other half of the grade is based on the work you make “submission ready” for Hearst. You choose one round to enter, either fall/spring. Develop a portfolio for photo, or write/publish an article for writing, or post a multimedia video web project (single category or for our team in the spring.)

I hope you have a #winning attitude, unlike Michael in this FOR BETTER OR WORSE comic. Become GREAT!