

About the course team

Julianne Stewart



Julianne is course examiner and the writer of the course. She also teaches the course at the Toowoomba campus and is responsible for the external students. The idea for writing a course on the ways in which peace and conflict are reported in the media came from many years of reading such reports in newspapers and hearing them on radio and television, as well as reading online reports and visiting alternative news websites that reported on the same conflicts but with seemingly different sources of information. The different ways in which conflicts were being reported stimulated Julianne to try to find out more about the ways in which such stories were produced. She met the authors of the textbook and studied Peace Journalism under their guidance. To their essentially practitioner approach, she added her own work on the ways in which news stories are framed, and some earlier reading she

had done on the role of large media institutions such as news agencies. The result is a course which combines theoretical approaches to the construction of news stories of peace and conflict within institutional contexts with a practical toolbox for learning how to re-frame war stories as stories which enhance readers' understanding of the complexity of conflicts and which may eventually lead more toward peaceful rather than warlike outcomes.

You can find out more about Julianne's publications and qualifications at <http://apps.usq.edu.au/usqwebsite/aspnet/staffsearch/default.aspx>

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Lauretta teaches the course at the Fraser Coast campus. She is also moderator of the course for Fraser Coast campus students. She is in her seventh year of lecturing in the Faculty of Arts programs at USQ's Wide Bay campus. She is an Associate member of the Public Relations Institute of Australia and recently completed a two-year contract with the regional consultancy, Queensland Corporate Communication Network, as the Wide Bay region's representative. Lauretta is also an Associate Member of the Australian Counselling Association and Acting Program Coordinator for USQ Wide Bay's recently accredited Bachelor of Human Services (Counselling) program, including the Diploma of Community Welfare and Development Coordinator.

A co-author of two book chapters, Lauretta has research interests in Community Informatics and Community Welfare and Development. Her Honours thesis looked at the workings of a community IT project in the Wide Bay region. You can find out more about Lauretta's qualifications and publications at

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Janine Little



Janine is the course moderator for Toowoomba on campus and all external students. Whilst Janine does not actually teach any of the course, as an experienced international journalist (working largely in the medium of print), she has contributed a number of ideas and resources to the development of the course. Janine is an award-winning print journalist with experience in Australian and British newspapers. She holds First Class Honours, Masters and Doctoral qualifications in English and has published widely in areas of cultural theory, equity and diversity. You can read more about Janine's experience and interests at

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