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## **UNDERSTANDING THE PRESS**

Bachelor in Applied Foreign Languages  
Faculty of Liberal Arts

### **Course information**

Bachelor year 2                      12 HOURS  
Fall Semester                        2 ECTS  
Tutorials (TD)  
Professor: George KUCHINSKY  
Course Code: FDL\_LEA\_L2\_S3\_AN\_PRESS\_T5

### **Course description**

The course centers on the reading and analysis of authentic English language documents destined for a highly educated adult audience (*The Atlantic*, *The Economist*). The students make a presentation about a news topic of their choice in English and write an in-class essay. Topics include China-Taiwan tensions, the conflicts in the Middle East, and the genocide in Tigray.

### **Learning Objectives**

- The students are taught to read high-level English language articles, put them in context and improve their knowledge of general culture.
- To encourage students to engage in thoughtful discourse and debate on media-related issues.

### **Course Prerequisites**

Not applicable.

### **Methods of Instruction**

Interactive lectures by the professor, discussions, debates, student presentations (with instructions provided by the teacher, questions, and feedback).

### **Assessment and Final grade**

One presentation in English and one written exam focusing on a geopolitical topic.

## **Course requirements**

The students are expected to participate actively and complete their assignments.