XM 9201  NEWS REPORTING  LTPC  3 1 0 4

AIM
To learn to gathering and writing news with special attention to objectivity, accuracy and fairness; the responsible use of sources; and the style and structure of good news writing.

OBJECTIVE
- To know the various news gathering techniques.
- To develop the news concept and the critical thinking skills to recognize when news lacks fairness and credibility.
- To understand the concept of gate keeping and its importance to responsible reporting and publishing.

UNIT - I  NEWS, SOURCES AND CONTACTS  9
News – Definitions, Types, functions; Sources - Importance of Sources, Types of Sources, Credibility, Identifying, Establishing and Maintaining Contacts, Contact book, Confidentiality, Paying the sources, Tip-Off, Check calls, Anonymity.

UNIT - II  BEATS AND NEWS SELECTION TECHNIQUES  9

UNIT - III  CONCEPT AND STORY IDEA  9

UNIT - IV  WRITING NEWS SCRIPT  9
Basics of News Writing, 5Ws 1H, Inverted Pyramid, Intro and Leads, Types of Lead, Writing Headlines, Sub - Editing, Feature Writing, Hour - Glass Structure, Telling the Story, Placing the Key Words, Developing the Story, Signposting, Ending the Story, Last line and the last word.

UNIT - V  NEWS EDITING TECHNIQUES  9
Quotation, Attribution, Spelling, Punctuation, Abbreviations, Figures, Hyperbole, Adjectives Editing techniques, Editing Softwares, Proof reading.

TEXT BOOKS

REFERENCES