

AEJMC Southeast Colloquium 2026
University of Tampa

Thursday, March 12, 2026
Registration: 4- 6 PM
Ferman Center for the Arts Lounge (FCA)

6- 7 PM Charlene A. Gordon Theater at FCA	Keynote Session Speaker: Mark Katches, Editor, <i>Tampa Bay Times</i>
7- 7:15 PM	Welcome by Dr. Sohana Nasrin, Director, AEJMC Southeast Colloquium 2026
7:30-9:00 PM Ferman Lounge	Welcome Reception Speakers: Dean Dr. David Gudelunas, Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, Dr. Stephanie Tripp, Chair, Department of Communication

Friday, March 13, 2026
Registration, Coffee and Breakfast: 7- 7:45 AM

Friday, March 13 8:00- 9:00 AM Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 331	Law and Policy Division	Is Haptic Sexual Assault in Virtual Reality A Crime: A Legal Analysis of Statues from Three States	Christoph Mergerson, University of Maryland and Jessica Harden, Baylor Law School
	Virtual Reality, Soft-Censorship, AI Propaganda, Self-Regulation Moderator: Michael T. Martinez, University of Tennessee	Faith, Autonomy, and Soft Censorship: The Free Temple Movement in India	Shivangi Asthana, Hong Kong Baptist University

	Discussant: Daxton “Chip” Stewart, Texas Christian University	Generating Meaning: How should the Supreme Court conceptualize AI-generated propaganda?	Roman Kolgushev, University of Missouri
		Law to Protect or Perish Journalism: An Approach of Government-Mandated Self-Regulation in Journalism	Md Saddam Hossain, University of Missouri
<p>Friday, March 13 8:00- 9:00 AM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 333</p>	Community Journalism Interest Group	Social Media Engagement in U.S. Weekly Community Newspapers: Social Media Engagement in U.S. Weekly Community Newspapers: Content Strategies and Performance Metrics	Huyen Nguyen, Kansas State University
	Rebuilding the Local News Ecosystem: Community Engagement, Innovation, and Trust		An Nguyen, University of Wisconsin-Madison
	Moderator:	How Trust and Participation in Local News Boost Civic Engagement (EA)	Kaia April Wright, Flagler College
	Discussant:	THE PAPER: Mocking or Paying Tribute to Community News? Metajournalistic discourse repairing a broken local news paradigm (EA)	Karin Assmann, and Roberta Fiorito, University of Georgia
		Examining the potential of university reporting	Andrea Lorenz, Kent State University; Sima

		programs to fill local news gaps	Bhowmik, and Benjamin Cooley, University of Vermont
		Independent Journalism and Political Reporting in Turkey- Navigating Traditional and New Media Landscapes	Hakan Karaaytu, Alfred University
Friday, March 13 9:15- 10:15 AM Southard Family Building (SFB) 287	Discussion Panel Law and Policy and Commission on the Status of Graduate Education Two Fronts, One Fight: Shared Governance and Free Expression in Media Education	Moderator/ Panelist: Tori Ekstrand, UNC- Chapel Hill Panelists: Jasmine McNealy, University of Florida Amy Kristin Sanders, Pennsylvania State University Evan Ringel, Appalachian State University Chip Stewart, Texas Christian University Joshua Scacco, University of South Florida	
Friday, March 13 9:15- 10:15 AM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 485	Discussion Panel Community Journalism Interest Group and Media Ethics Division Influencers in the Eye of the Storm: Redefining Crisis Communication in the Digital Age	Moderator: Briana Marie Trifiro, Northeastern University Panelists: Kate Stewart, Jacksonville State University; Mildred (Mimi) Perreault University of South Florida; Grace Glover, University of South Florida Rachel E. Riggs Achorn, University of North Florida	
Friday, March 13 9:15- 10:15 AM	Media Ethics Division	Codifying GenAI: Actionable Insights or Tangled Platitudes? Assessing	Stephen J. McConnell and Deb Aikat, University of

Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 340	Journalism in Transition: Platforms, Audiences, and Institutional Ethics	the Effectiveness of University GenAI Ethical Codes for Students (EA)	North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Adonis Durado, Ohio University
	Moderator: Discussant:	“We have some huge breaking news”: TikTok “newsfluencers” and the normative functions of journalism (EA)	Hadley Hoskins, Jae Jepsen, and Joy Jenkins, University of Missouri (Extended Abstract)
		From Error to Exile: Meta-Journalistic Discourse on the BBC–Trump Editing Scandal on X (EA)	Mahbubul Haque Bhuiyan, University of Minnesota Manwar Hossain, Colorado State University
		Defining Media Literacy: Audience Perspectives in Brazil and the United States (EA)	Carolina de Pinho Ferreira, University of Minnesota
Friday, March 13 9:15- 10:15 AM	Media Ethics Division	Actionable Advocacy Journalism: Embracing Bias and Empowering Audiences with Calls to Action	Megan Tasha Schiffres
Plant Hall (PH) 210	Rethinking Objectivity, Bias, and the Ethical Purpose of Journalism	Reframing “Galamsey” Reporting in Ghana: A Solidarity Journalism Approach (EA)	Phylis Asilevi, Marquette University
	Moderator: Discussant:	Why Journalism Cannot Legitimize Itself: Comparative	Chris Duan, University of Missouri

		Insights from the United States and China	
		What Makes a Virtuous Journalist? Journalists' Perceptions of Factors Influencing Ethical Practices (EA)	Md. Saddam Hussain and Joy Jenkins, University of Missouri
Friday, March 13 10:30- 11:45 AM	Law and Policy Division	A Calvinball Court: In Search of First Amendment Theory in Recent Emerging-Technology Supreme Court Cases	Jared Schroeder, University of Missouri Top Faculty Paper
Jenkins Health and Technology Building, Health (GHS) 106	Free Expression and First Amendment Theory Moderator: Michael T. Martinez, University of Tennessee Discussant: Anthony Fargo, Indiana University	News and Scientific Uncertainty: Reassessing the Marketplace of Ideas in the Age of Health Misinformation	Laiba Khan Zai, University of Missouri
		Common Ground: Conceptions of Truth and Free Expression in Holmes' Abrams Dissent and Stanton's Woman's Bible	Edward L. Carter, Brigham Young University and Jared Schroeder, University of Missouri
		Free Speech in the Age of the Digital Soldier: How First Amendment Rights and Military Service Collide in the Digital Age	Matthew J. Surmaczewicz, University of Missouri

<p>Friday, March 13 10:30- 11:45 AM</p> <p>Southard Family Building (SFB) 287</p>	<p>Discussion Panel</p> <p>Commission on the Status of Graduate Education and Commission on the Status of Women</p> <p>Career Considerations in Current Climates</p>	<p>Moderator: Bey-Ling Sha, Texas Tech University</p> <p>Panelists: Melissa Dodd, University of Rhode Mia Long Anderson, Sam Houston State University Briana Trifiro, Northeastern University Marcia Watson DiStaso, University of Florida</p>	
<p>Friday, March 13 10:30- 11:45 AM</p> <p>Plant Hall (PH) 210</p>	<p>Visual Communication Division</p> <p>Artificial Creativity & Immersive Visual Media</p> <p>Moderator: Discussant:</p>	<p>Exploring Human Motivations in the Use of Generative AI for Artistic Creation</p>	<p>Tursynay Alikhanova, and Sooyeon Park, Florida State University</p>
		<p>Enhancing Creativity: A Framework for Integrating AI in Motion Design</p>	<p>Jason Webb, Syracuse University</p>
		<p>Viewing with Critical Eyes: Examining Selective Exposure to AI-generated Creative Works Using Eye-Tracking</p>	<p>Zijian Harrison Gong, and Shan Xu, Texas Tech University</p>
		<p>Explicating Immersion in Virtual Reality Research</p>	<p>Yiyuan Sun, University of Florida</p>

<p>Friday, March 13 10:30- 11:45 AM</p> <p>Cass Communication Building (CCB) 223</p>	<p>Discussion Panel</p> <p>Scholastic Journalism and Commission on the Status of Graduate Education</p> <p>Doctors Who? Exploring the Professional Experiences of Ed.D. faculty in Journalism and Mass Communication Education</p>	<p>Moderator: Meg Heckman, Northeastern University</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Marquita Smith, University of Mississippi Melony Shemberger, Murray State University Melanie Wilderman, University of Oklahoma</p>
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Lunch
12:00- 12:50 PM
Ferman Center for the Arts Lounge

<p>Friday, March 13 1:00- 2:15 PM</p> <p>Vaughn Center Crescent Club (9th floor)</p>	<p>Invited Panel</p> <p>Trust Kits for Journalism Educators</p> <p>Joy Mayer, Founder and Executive Director, Trusting News Patrick R. Johnson, Marquette University</p>
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<p>Friday, March 13 2:30- 3:15 PM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 332</p>	<p>Discussion Panel</p> <p>Law and Policy Division and Media Ethics Division</p> <p>The Litigation Tsunami: AI Detection Lawsuits, Newsroom Dismissals, and Defending Authorship in</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Jane Kirtley, University of Minnesota Yewande Ojo, University of Tennessee Richard Mensah Adonu, University of Tennessee Ebenezer Fayah Amartey, Ohio University</p>
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	Journalism Education		
Friday, March 13 2:30- 3:15 PM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 483	Commission on the Status of the Minorities Equity, Representation, and Voice in Digital & Popular Culture Moderator: Discussant:	Diversity in Beauty Brand Marketing on Instagram: The Case of Fenty Beauty	Julia Narh, Louisiana State University Robert Andrew Dunn, East Tennessee State University
		So, Anyways What Are Y'all Eating for Dinner?: Humor, Silence, and Black TikTok's Collective Refusal of Political Discourse	Sydnie Davis, University of Memphis
		From Problem to Presence: A Comparative Analysis of ADHD Frames on TikTok (EA)	Authors:
		Jungle Fever Beyond the Villa: An Analysis of Racial and Gendered Online Discussion of Love Island USA couple Olandria Carthen and Nicolas "Nic" Vansteenbergh after Season 7 Finale	Israel Henry II - The University of Memphis
Friday, March 13 2:30- 3:15 PM Grand Center (GC) 108	Newspaper and Online News Division Reimagining Journalism Beyond	From Community Media to Community Anchors: How Independent YouTube Journalists	Pranaav Jadhav, University of Missouri

	Traditional Newsrooms	in India Negotiate Legitimacy, Autonomy, and Algorithmic Precarity	
	Moderator: Brown James, Lyon College Discussant: Andrea Lorenz, Kent State University	Building a Lifestyle vs. an Empire: How Substack Journalists Reimagine Newsroom Norms, Reporting Beats and Role Conceptions	Roberta Fiorito, and Karin Assmann, University of Georgia
		What is News, and Does It Matter? How Young Adults Experience News on TikTok & Instagram	Cydney Grannan, University of Michigan
		Local News on Social Media: Aggregating and Politicizing Community Information	Hannah Artman, and Živilė Raškauskaitė, University of Missouri
		Users' Engagement with Online News: Analyzing Users' Comments on YouTube Videos of Nigeria's #Endbadgovernance Protest	Maryam Lasisi Mustapha, Ohio University
Friday, March 13 2:30-3:15 PM Jenkins Health and Technology Building, Health (GHS) 104	Discussion Panel Community Journalism Interest Group Universities as Local News Hubs:	Panelists: Richard Watts, University of Vermont Benjamin Cooley, University of Vermont Sima Bhowmik, University of Vermont Angie Taylor, University of South Florida Ilene Prusher, University of Miami	

	Collaborative Strategies for Strengthening Civic Information		
<p>Friday, March 13 2:30-3:15 PM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 593</p>	<p>Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division</p> <p>Reporting Crisis Live: Embodiment, Emotion, and Real-Time Storytelling in Broadcast and Mobile Journalism</p> <p>Moderator: Tony Demars, Lamar University Discussant: Mark Harmon, University of Kentucky</p>	<p>Deceptive Non-Disclosure in Video News Releases: How News Stations Disclose (or Don't) Independent Press Release Materials in Local Broadcast News (EA)</p>	<p>Anastasia Micich, University of Minnesota</p>
		<p>Stormchasing and the Performance of Adrenaline-Fueled Disaster Reporting (EA)</p>	<p>Kaitlyn Serafin, Brady Quinn, Victoria Heath, Grace Smith, Teodora Tavares, Grace Ficara, Ava Jochims, and Gregory Perreault, University of South Florida; Valérie Bélair-Gagnon, University of Minnesota Twin Cities</p>
		<p>Framing Crisis in Real Time: Emotional, Investigative, and Community Narratives in 2025 U.S. Aviation Disaster Coverage</p>	<p>Pranaav Jadhav, University of Missouri</p>
<p>Friday, March 13 2:30-3:15 PM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 331</p>	<p>Commission on the Status of Graduate Education</p>	<p>Fictional Health Narratives on Streaming Platforms: The Role of AI and</p>	<p>Ann Mary Biju, Ohio University</p>

	AI, Platforms, and Mediated Storytelling in Social and Health Contexts	Social Media in Shaping Health Behaviors (EA)	
	Moderator: Briana Trifiro, Northeastern University Discussant: Kate Stewart, Jacksonville State University	Follow for Follow: Gen Z’s Reliance on Instagram for Relationship Maintenance (EA)	
		Re-explicating Transmedia Storytelling in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: Concepts, Boundaries, and Shared Storyworld Coherence	Yuan Nan, University of Florida
		Generative AI Authorship Disclosure in Ad Creation: A Systematic Literature Review	Xinyi Zuo; University of Florida
Friday, March 13 2:30-3:15 PM	Scholastic Journalism Division	Variations in Statehouse Journalism: Comparing Student and Professional Political Reporting	Benjamin Cooley and Sima Bhowmik, University of Vermont
Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 488	Disruption and Evolving Norms in Journalism and Media Education Moderator: TBD Discussant: Melanie Wilderman, University of Oklahoma	AI Disclosure in Journalism Education: A Case Study in Pedagogical Innovation and Ethical Reflexivity (EA)	Angela Misri, Toronto Metropolitan University
		Investigating Barriers and	Andrew M. Abernathy,

		Opportunities in Contract Grading: An Exploratory Study of Journalism and Mass Communication Faculty Perceptions (EA)	Oklahoma State University, Rosemary Avance, Oklahoma State University and Rachel Lim, Oklahoma State University
Friday, March 13 2:30-3:15 PM Grand Center (GC) 107	Teaching Panel E is for Experiential: Practical Ways to Connect the Classroom to the Community	Moderator/ Panelist: Ivy Ashe, Florida Atlantic University Panelists: Matthew Elfenbein, Florida Atlantic University; Sarah Smith-Frigerio, University of Tampa	
Friday, March 13 2:30-3:15 PM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 596	Visual Communication Division Visual Politics & Memetic Communication Moderator: Discussant:	Posters as Visual Political Communication in Election Campaigns	Akwasi Bosompem Boateng, University of Education, Winneba
		Reading Between the Memes: Dogwhistles, Framing, and Ideological Perception in Digital Politics	Grace Glover, University of South Florida
		Conceptualizing Meme Persuasiveness	Samuel Arowosafe, University of Florida
		News Portrayals of Women in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict	Zinnia Sheikh, University of Memphis
Friday, March 13 2:30- 3:15 PM	Discussion Panel	Moderator/ panelist: Christoph Mergerson, University of Maryland	

<p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 340</p>	<p>Newspaper and Online News Division</p> <p>The State of Weather & Climate Journalism Research</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Mimi Perreault, University of South Florida</p> <p>Dylan McLemore, Oklahoma State University</p> <p>Rosalind Donald, American University</p>	
<p>Friday, March 13 3:30- 4:45 PM</p> <p>Vaughn Center Crescent Club (9th floor)</p>	<p>Thunderdome Panel</p> <p>Law and Policy Division</p> <p>Have you met...intermediate scrutiny?" The new <i>Miller</i> Test, Age Verification and the Future of Online Speech Protection</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Christopher Terry, University of Minnesota</p> <p>Jasmine McNealy, University of Florida</p> <p>Anthony Fargo, Indiana University</p> <p>Eric Robinson, University of South Carolina</p> <p>Chip Stewart, Texas Christian University</p>	
<p>Friday, March 13 3:30- 4:45 PM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 331</p>	<p>Discussion Panel</p> <p>AEJMC Elected Standing Committee on Professional Freedom and Responsibility and Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Division</p> <p>Supporting and Strategizing for Success: A Florida Public Media Roundtable</p>	<p>Moderator and Panelist: Mimi Perrault, University of South Florida</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Latoya Dennis, Central Florida Public Media</p> <p>Jose Luis Jimenez, WUSF</p> <p>Ethan Magoc, University of Florida</p> <p>Richard Watts, University of Vermont</p>	
<p>Friday, March 13 3:30- 4:45 PM</p>	<p>Newspaper and Online News Division</p>	<p>Readers' Perceived Credibility of News Stories with AI</p>	<p>Transparency Hana Yun, University of Texas at Austin</p>

Grand Center (GC) 108	AI, Automation, and the Future of News Moderator: Cydney Grannan, University of Michigan Discussant: Shuning Lu, University of Maryland	Authorship and Different Levels of Transparency	
		AI Adoption in US Legacy Newsrooms: Policies and Journalists' Perspectives	Sima Bhowmik, and Shiloh Chiu, University of Vermont; Maksuda Aziz, New York University
		What Do We Lose? What Is Gained? A Critical Discourse Analysis of AI- Generated Summaries of Immigration News	Sunah Lee, Florida State University
Friday, March 13 3:30- 4:45 PM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 452	Open Division Communication, Identity, and Practice Across Cultural and Institutional Contexts Moderator: Discussant: Bobbie Foster, University of Arkansas	The Role of Racial/Ethnic Identity in Responses to Racial Hate Speech on Social Media	Yejin Kim, Central Connecticut State University
		NBA Satellite fans' team identification on perceptions, intentions, and behaviors of social media	Eunyoung Kim, Auburn University at Montgomery Sung Eun Park, Webster University
		Suits as an Instructional Tool to teach Team Communication (EA)	Philip Aust, Kenesaw State University
		Navigating the Ecosystem: Challenges Faced by Young Pakistani	Muhammad Arslan Khan and Elanie Steyn, University of Oklahoma

		Entrepreneurs and the Resilience of the Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) Market (EA)	
		Framing Intersectionality as a Communication Theory from an African Perspective	Afolasade Ola, University of Florida
Friday, March 13 3:30- 4:45 PM	Commission on the Status of Women	'Make America Pregnant Again': Analyzing Online News Sources in Coverage of President Trump's Baby Bonus	Stefanie Kempton, Florida Gulf Coast University
Jenkins Health and Technology Building, Health (GHS) 104	Gendered Media Discourses: Representation, Politics, and Cultural Framing	Brazil's First: Dilma Rousseff's Gendered Impeachment Narrative, as Told by the News Media (EA)	Giovana Alves Medeiros, Adriana Jacob Carneiro, and Mildred Perreault, University of South Florida
	Moderator:	Postfeminism and Purity Culture: Examining the Coverage of Female Musicians in the 2000s American Music Press (EA)	Gabrielle (Gabbi) Santeiro, University of Georgia
	Discussant:	Exploring Objectification of Latin American Instagram Influencers (EA)	Marta Mensa Torres, Gwendelyn Nisbett, and Thompson Lindsay, University of North Texas

			Julio Martin Velasquez Berrios, University of Miami
<p>Friday, March 13 3:30- 4:45 PM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 340</p>	<p>History Division</p> <p>Journalism, Media Actors, and Public Discourse in Historical Contexts</p> <p>Moderator: Discussant:</p>	<p>The Miner and the Traveler: Tappan Adney's Ethnographic Journalism in the 1897 Klondike Gold Rush</p>	<p>Martin Greg Friedenthal, University of North Texas</p>
		<p>A Voice of the Times, The Voice of a Movement: Dick Morphew and the Citizen's Council Radio Forum, 1957-1966</p>	<p>Richard G. Cobb, The University of Southern Mississippi</p>
		<p>The Neighbors Turned Enemies, Enemies in The Neighborhood: Mississippi and The Media Narrative of Wartime Others, 1943-1946</p>	<p>Huey Turlich, The University of Southern Mississippi</p>
		<p>The Unlikely Philanthropy: A Media Analysis of Oseola McCarty</p>	<p>Kenning Bridges, The University of Southern Mississippi</p>
<p>Friday, March 13 3:30- 4:45 PM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 332</p>	<p>Commission on LGBTQIA+ Communities</p> <p>Queer Visibility and Contested Belonging Across Cultural,</p>	<p>Preparing the Battlefield for the Sex Wars: Lesbian Purges and Antipornography at NOW's Sexuality Conferences</p>	<p>Nicole Peterson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill</p>

	Digital, and Institutional Spaces Moderator: Rhonda Gibson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	Belonging and Recognition: Anime-like Virtual Influencers and Youth Gender Exploration	Yuan Nan, Huan Chen, and Haoran Chu, University of Florida
	Discussant: Bill Cassidy, University of Mississippi	Digital Resistance and Visibility: Examining social media as a Tool for LGBTQ+ Rights Advocacy in Ghana	Ebenezer Fayah Amartey, Ohio University
		“I just see a lot of skinny, muscular, white people in those ads”: Walking focus groups as a methods intervention for investigating LGBTQIA+ representation in outdoor promotional media	Cody Hays, and Chelsea Julian Reynolds, Arizona State University Loretta LeMaster, University of Toronto

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<p>Saturday, March 14 8:00-9:00 AM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 340</p>	<p>Discussion Panel</p> <p>Law and Policy Division</p> <p>A Song of FCC Chairpersons and Jawbonings: Brendan Carr’s Red Wedding for Free</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Christopher Terry, Kaiyi Yu, Anastasia Micich, and Cecilia Lausten, University of Minnesota</p>
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	Speech and other First Amendment Musings from the Northland		
<p>Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM</p> <p>Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 340</p>	<p>Commission on the Status of Graduate Education</p> <p>Human–AI Relationships, Trust, and Emotional Attachment</p> <p>Moderator: Briana Trifiro, Northeastern University Discussant: Kate Stewart, Jacksonville State University</p>	<p>Conceptualizing trust in chatbots, powered by artificial intelligence</p>	<p>Roman Kolgushev, University of Missouri</p>
		<p>“I lost my only friend overnight”: Thematic Analysis of Communication About the Loss of a Chatbot Companion on r/ChatGPT</p>	<p>Mike J Gray, University of Memphis</p>
		<p>Embodied Narratives, Disembodied Machines: Autoethnography’s Ontological Resistance to AI-Generated Epistemology</p>	<p>Shahnaz Bashir, University of Massachusetts-Amherst</p>
<p>Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 596</p>	<p>PF&R Panel</p> <p>Law and Policy Division</p> <p>We can do this the easy way, or the hard way’: Media Ownership Consolidation & the future of the public interest standard</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Laura K. Smith, and Eric Robinson, University of South Carolina Christopher Terry, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities) <i>Jim Rutenberg, New York Times</i> (virtual)</p>	
Saturday, March 14	Discussion Panel	Panelists:	

<p>9:15–10:15 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 485</p>	<p>Open Division</p> <p>The Faculty's Perspective: Navigating AI Technology's Impact on Pedagogical Strategy and Practice in the Classroom</p>	<p>Hye Soo Chang, and Jennifer Anderson, South Dakota State University</p> <p>Chen “Crystal” Chen, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign</p>	
<p>Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 488</p>	<p>Commission on the Status of Women</p> <p>Gendered Labor, Identity, and Power in Media Participation</p> <p>Moderator: Discussant:</p>	<p>Gendered Accommodation Cognitive–Behavioral Loop Model: Explore the bidirectional impact of sexist communication accommodation in video games</p>	<p>Hannah Xiangruo Huang, Penn State University</p>
		<p>Platformed Motherhood: Identity, Labour, and Negotiation among Chinese Parenting Bloggers (EA)</p>	<p>Guo Yushan, and Bai Qian, Communication University of China</p>
		<p>The role of gender in distributing news-related assignments and its influence on career growth: A study of newsroom practices in Bangladesh (EA)</p>	<p>Mahbuba Siddiqua, and Cindy Price Schultz, University of Wyoming</p>
<p>Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM</p>	<p>Discussion Panel</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Amy Kristin Sanders, Penn State University</p>	

<p>Ferman Center of the Arts (FCA) 340</p>	<p>Broadcast and Mobile Journalism and Magazine Media</p> <p>Trying Times: Media Freedom in the United States</p>	<p>Daxton “Chip” Stewart, Texas Christian University Rachel Fugate, Shullman Fugate Angela Fu, Poynter Institute</p>	
<p>Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 593</p>	<p>Discussion Panel</p> <p>Newspaper and Online News Division</p> <p>Generative Artificial Intelligence’s Disruption of the African Media Ecosystem</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Robert Otieno Apiyo, University of Tampa Kevin Mudavadi, Georgia State University Osman Osman, New York University</p>	
<p>Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 594</p>	<p>PF&R Panel</p> <p>Magazine Media Division and Visual Communication Division</p> <p>Revisiting Qualities of Graphics of Communication</p>	<p>Panelists/ Moderator: Ivy Ashe, Florida Atlantic University</p> <p>Panelists: Huyen Nguyen, and Danae Cartright, Kansas State University Adonis Durado, Ohio University</p>	
<p>Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 486</p>	<p>Community Journalism Interest Group</p> <p>Power, Politics, and Digital Disruption in Journalism</p> <p>Moderator and discussant: Leslie-Jean Thornton, Arizona State University</p>	<p>Complicating the narrative: Intersectionality as the counter-narrative to traditional objectivity in community environmental journalism</p>	<p>Damilola Oduolowu, University of South Carolina</p>
		<p>Behind Closed Chats: Exploring Disinformation</p>	<p>Elira Canga, Arizona State University</p>

		Flows in Albanian Diasporic Communities on Encrypted Apps (EA)	
		““It’s not all going to be good, but it’s going to be different:” Community News Editors Respond to the Implementation of an AI-Supported Content Management System” (EA)	Meg Heckman, Caleb Okereke, and John Wihbey, Northeastern University`
Saturday, March 14 9:15–10:15 AM	Open Division	Safe Heard, Safe Word: Examining the Impact of Florida State University on its Response Measures After the 2025 School Shooting Crisis	Eldaneka Rolle, Elizabeth Ray, and Richard Waters, Florida State University
Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 485	Journalism, Crisis, and Precarity in Changing Media Systems Moderator: Patrick R Johnson, Marquette University Discussant: Bobbie Foster, University of Arkansas	Under the cover of moonlight: Defining roles and ethical practices of moonlighting media workers in the face of industry precarity	Grace Smith, Grace Glover, and Mildred Perrault, University of South Florida
		Is Journalism Changing or Not? Understanding Journalists’ Perceptions of Field	Jiaxin Gong, Fudan University

		Dynamics amid Generative AI	
		From Rural Loss to Urban Scarcity: Reconsidering the Geography of Local News Deserts	Marquita S. Smith, Panduka Nagahawatte, and Andrea Hickerson, University of Mississippi
Saturday, March 14 10:30–11:45 AM Ferman Center of the Arts (FCA) 340	Discussion Panel Commission on the Status of Women, Commission of the Status of Minorities	Moderator: Mimi Perreault, University of South Florida Panelists: Briana Trifiro, Northeastern University Kate Stewart, Jacksonville State University Sonya DiPalma, University of North Carolina Asheville	
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 488	Newspaper and Online News Division Power, Memory, and Global Narratives in News Coverage Moderator: Hyeri Jung, Radford University Discussant: Matt Haught, University of Memphis	Collective Memories, National Reckoning, & Global Concerns: Examining the International News Coverage of I'm Still Here Postcolonial Readings of U.S. Media Coverage of K-pop Beyond the Crime Report: How Local News Coverage Falls Short on Human Trafficking	Here Jenna Mulhern, Raiana de Carvalho, Furman University Hyeri Jung, Radford University Andrea Lorenz, Kent State University, Barbara Friedman, and Alison Miller, University of North

			Carolina-Chapel Hill
		Testing the Finite Pool of Worry and Finite Pool of Attention Hypotheses in Chinese Climate Change News Coverage	Zepeng Tong, and Shitemi Khamadi, Indiana University Bloomington
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM	Commission on the Status of Minorities	Questioning inequity: Girls' empowerment through journalism education	Sofia Johansson, and Grace Smith, University of South Florida
Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 486	Moderator: Discussant:	Paradigm Formalization of Easy Japanese News: Conferring Journalistic Authority and Breaking Norms to Create News for Minority Audiences	Yumiko Ehara, University of Minnesota
		Beyond National Boundaries: Exploring Within-Group Cultural Variance and Disaster Compliance Among Vietnamese American Immigrants	Thu Dang, and Haoran Chris Chu, University of Florida
		Same Sh*t, Different Modality: Rapid Pace of Digital Innovation Adds Complexity to Experiences of Diverse Women	Quindelda McElroy, University of Georgia

		Media Leaders in U.S. Newsrooms	
		Unseen and Unspoken: A Content Analysis of Public Health Messaging on HIV and Black Women in the American South	Marquita S. Smith, University of Mississippi
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 275	Invited Panel Magazine Media Division Diving into History: A Beginner's Guide to Archival Research	Panelists: Meg Heckman, Northeastern University Kyser Lough, University of Georgia Huyen Nguyen, Kansas State University Lisa Lenoir, Indiana University Bloomington	
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 273	History Division Domestic Ideologies and Racial Imaginaries in Media History Moderator: Discussant:	Dreams for Sale: Betty Crocker, Public Relations, and the Construction of the Ideal American Housewife in the 1950s	KaTrisha Roberson, University of Southern Mississippi
		Desire, Domesticity, & Duty: Representation of Women in The Reveille 1941-1942	Shelby Cumpston, University of Southern Mississippi
		Wartime Rations, Glamour, and Fashion: Vogue's Coverage of Femininity and Women's Fashion in Wartime	Vivienne Cookmeyer, University of Southern Mississippi

		America, 1942-1946	
		Augmenting Aunt Jemima: Reporting Race in the Case of a Retired Brand Image	George Daniels, The University of Alabama
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM	Open Division	Bye, Google? Psychological and Utilitarian Drivers of Switching Intentions Among US College Students	Gina Joseph, Uzoamaka Ogor, and Carolyne Tarver, Louisiana State University
Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 596	Digital Media, Platforms, And Audience Meaning-Making	Rethinking Validation: An Explication of Digital Validation as a Communicative Process	Ruth Emmanuel, University of Florida
	Moderator: Discussant:	Assessing Relationships between Higher Education Institutions and the Public on Social Media: A Quantitative Content Analysis	Bachchu Shekh, University of Colorado Boulder
		We don't read news anymore, like we used to do": A case study of college student usage of college media	Carol Terracina-Hartman, Murray State University; Delaware Arif, Canisius University
		Between Standpoint and the AI System: How	Victoria LaPoe, and Benjamin LaPoe,

		Public Relations Scholars Interpret Public Relations Ethics through Reflective-Analytics	University of Cincinnati Adonis Durado, Ohio University and Stephen J. McConnell and Deb Aikat, University North Carolina, Chapel Hill
		AI Sometimes Lack Cultural Reality': Trust, Verification, and Constraint in Nigerian Newsroom	Amaka Peace Onebunne, Temple University; Moses Ubaka Okocha, University of Georgia
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM	Media Ethics Division	From Hebdo to Kirk: #JeSuisCharlie returns, deeply change	Leslie-Jean Thornton, Arizona State, Susan Keith, Rutgers University
Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 485	Ethics of Representation, Identity, and Cultural Storytelling Moderator: Discussant:	Building Identity from Screens: How Social Media Algorithms Shape the Self Among Younger Generations (EA)	Julio Martin Velasquez Berrios, University of Miami
		Coat of Many Crisis: Dolly Parton's Brand Storytelling Through Compassion and Consistency (EA)	Riley Hunt, University of South Florida
		Woman of the Hour or of the year?: An analysis of Anna Kendrick's	Kaylin Lane, and Gabrielle Lamura, Florida State University

		feminist true crime directorial debut (EA)	
<p>Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 595</p>	<p>Open Division</p> <p>Politics, Protest, and Power in Contemporary Media Discourse</p> <p>Moderator: Discussant:</p>	<p>Intra-Party Endorsements: Voter Attitudes and Enthusiasm</p>	<p>Tom Vizcarrondo and Milad Minoie, Kennesaw State University</p>
		<p>Populism Meets Negative Campaigning: An Explication and 2x2 Typology of Populist Attack Messages</p>	<p>Ahmad Sami Almulla, University of Florida</p>
		<p>Media Courage in the Digital Era: How Social Media Contributes to Policy Making During Indonesia's 2025 Protests and Sparks Southeast Asian Solidarity</p>	<p>Najah Raniyah, University of South Florida</p>
		<p>Wanna Bet? Examining Editorialized Commercial Speech Rights for the Sports Gambling Industry</p>	<p>Tannor Enyart, University of Missouri</p>
<p>Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 594</p>	<p>Law and Policy Division</p> <p>Privacy, Copyright, Shields and Defamation – Oh My!!!</p> <p>Moderator: Michael T. Martinez,</p>	<p>Data Brokers, Privacy Legislation and Commercial Speech 15 Years Post-IMS</p> <p>Top Student Paper</p>	<p>Anna Sago, University of Missouri</p>
		<p>Fair Use or Theft? The Rising Debate</p>	<p>Muhammad Saurav Rahman,</p>

	University of Tennessee Discussant – Christopher Terry, University of Minnesota	Over AI Scraping of News Media	University of Missouri
		Borrowing Shields: Lessons from Anti-SLAPP Laws in California and Ontario for Nigerian Civil Procedure Reform	Haruna Mohammed Salisu, Indiana University
		Defamation by AI: Actual Malice, Artificial Intelligence, and the Future of Fault	Misbahul Haque, University of Missouri
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 593	Visual Communication Division Humanitarian & Environmental Visual Framing Moderator: Discussant:	Cross-Cultural Interpretations of Humanitarian Refugee Photography	Sumayet Naiyer Oshmita, University of Wyoming
		Negotiating Fear and Empathy: Audience Interpretations of Contradictory Media Frames in Human-Wildlife Conflict	Zahid Hasan, University of Wyoming
		Optimizing Environmental CSR messaging – An Experimental Design Combining Goal Framing Theory and the ELM	Anica Schramm, Florida State University

		Reaching Gen Z: What Makes Environmental CSR Messages Stick	Sol Lee, and Anica Schramm, Florida State University
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 452	Discussion Panel Newspaper and Online News Division, Broadcast and Mobile Journalism Incorporating Solutions Journalism into Undergraduate and Graduate Reporting Courses	Panelists: Wayne Garcia, University of South Florida Kim Walsh-Childers, University of Florida Jeremy Druker, Transition Ralitsa Vassileva, University of Atlanta Mark Harmon, University of Tennessee, Knoxville	
Saturday, March 14 10:30-11:45 AM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 483	Open Division Ethics, Identity, and Moral Frameworks in Media and Communication Moderator: Discussant:	Seeking Grace Amid Crisis: A Case Study Integrating Religious Concepts Within Image Restoration Strategies "Invisible Voices" in the Discourse of Mental Health: A Critical Discourse Analysis Consumer Perceptions and Purchase Intentions of Fairtrade Brands: A CSR-Based Analysis in the USA	Emily A. Guajardo, University of Oklahoma Anuja KC. University of Missouri-Columbia Sherin Farhana Moni, University of Southern Mississippi Monira Begum, University of South Florida

		Digital Counterpublics Versus Digital Activism: Towards Conceptual Clarity	Afolasade Ola, University of Florida
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Saturday, March 14, 2026
Southeast Colloquium Business Meeting & Lunch
12:00- 1:30 PM
VCCC (9th floor)

Saturday, March 14, 2:00- 3:15 PM VCCC 9 th floor	Invited Panel Hurricane Reporting and Public Information Disaster	Moderator: Mimi Perreault, University of South Florida Panelists: Katja Miller, Hillsborough County Office of Emergency Management Max Chesnes, <i>Tampa Bay Times</i> Stephanie Elder, Murray State University Elizabeth A Dunn, University of South Florida Heather Koester, Invigorate Nexus
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Saturday, March 14 3:30- 4:45 PM Ferman Center for the Arts (FCA) 340	Visual Communication Branding, Identity & Visual Effects Moderator: Discussant:	Digital Storytelling and Destination Image	Monira Begum, University of South Florida; Nadia Nahrin Rahman, Bangladesh University of Professionals; Jae-Hwa Shin, University of Southern Mississippi
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		Calling the Shot: What Visual Journalists Call Themselves and Why It Matters	Kyser Lough, and Andrea Briscoe, University of Georgia
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		The Power of a Princess: Rebranding Disney Movies for a New Generation	Victoria Heath, University of South Florida
		An Experiment on the Effects Color Saturation Has on Consumer Brand Perceptions	Sarah Elicia Ellis, Flagler College
		Assessing the Relationship between Platform Visuality, Trust, and News-Finds-Me Perceptions for Social Media Users	Ivy Ashe, Florida Atlantic University Claire Lawrence, University of Texas at Austin Zhiting Zhao, and Yuting He, University of Texas at Austin Ivan Lacasa-Mas, Universitat Internacional de Catalunya
Saturday, March 14 3:30- 4:45 PM Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 593	Discussion Panel Newspaper and Online News Division, Media Ethics Division Reprogramming the Curriculum: Journalism Education and Human Practice in the Age of AI	Panelists: Deb Wenger, University of Mississippi Laura Smith, University of South Carolina Rick Brunson, University of Central Florida	

<p>Saturday, March 14 3:30- 4:45 PM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 483</p>	<p>Magazine Media Division</p> <p>Moderator and Discussant: Ivy Ashe, Florida Atlantic University</p>	<p>Changing Magazine Ownership: Will it reverse the course?</p>	<p>Huyen Nguyen, Kansas State University</p>
<p>Saturday, March 14 3:30- 4:45 PM</p> <p>Jenkins Health and Technology Building (TECH) 488</p>	<p>Invited Session</p> <p>Get in the Scholastic Journalism Game</p>	<p>Facilitator:</p> <p>Melanie Wilderman, University of Oklahoma</p>	