

Citizen journalism

- Title: Citizen journalism for enhancement of regional development. Development of the interdisciplinary curricula and implementation of teaching innovations
- Duration 1/3/2022 – 29/2/2024
- Objective: to develop a new interdisciplinary specialization module *Citizen Journalism* consisting of 90 ECTS, i.e., 60 ECTS for BA and 30 ECTS for MA studies of Polish philology.
- Partners: three researchers from the UiT The Arctic University of Norway



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Citizen journalism: meet our team from Norway

UiT The Arctic University of Norway

- Andrei Rogatchevski: history, politics and cultural studies, film journalism: critical analysis, Russian and Slavic studies
- Anna Endresen: linguistics, Russian and Slavic studies
- Svetlana Sokolova: linguistics, Russian and Slavic studies

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Management

- Michał Kopczyk – literature, essay, newspaper columns, genres, Polish and Slovene studies; main coordinator
- Agnieszka Będkowska-Kopczyk – linguistics, radio, citizen journalism, culture, Slovene and Slavic studies; second coordinator
- Robert Pysz – media, culture, media law (copyright), Polish studies; coordinator for PR
- Jolanta Kowalska – financial management

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Project participants

Team from the Department of Polish studies:
Angelika Matuszek, Anna Foltyniak Pękala

Marek Bernacki – literature, essay, newspaper
columns, genres, Polish studies

Mateusz Żyła – music and sports journalism,
Polish studies

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Project participants (team from other departments):

Joanna Wróblewska-Jachna – sociology, media

Małgorzata Jopek-Bizoń – education, inclusion, vocal pedagogy, English studies

Natalia Wiśniewska – social media, Spanish and Polish studies

Anna Salachna – ecology, climate

Dagmara Mika – politics, labor market, project management

Katarzyna Ożańska-Ponikwia – intercultural communication, English and Polish studies

Intellectual output no. 1

- **Report** based on the results of
 - a survey among secondary school students in Bielsko-Biała and the region and
 - public consultations with non-governmental organizations, cultural institutions, representatives of the media and local authorities of the city

Objectives: to provide knowledge on

- (a) detailed expectations related to the specialization module of citizen journalism (e.g., focus on practical or theoretical knowledge; preferred courses, teaching methods etc.),
- (b) ideas about their future career related to the new study offer,
- (c) local needs
- (d) competences of the prospective alumni

Intellectual output no. 1: dissemination

- **Conference:**

postponed to October 2022

Intellectual output no. 2

- **Curriculum of the specialization module "Civic Journalism"**

90 ECTS: 60 ECTS BA studies + 30 ECTS MA studies (900 teaching hours)

The list of courses included in the module will be discussed and prepared after the survey and a report. All aspects related to the curriculum, incl. the teaching methods, the methods of assessment, ECTS credits, etc. will be discussed among the project participants. Then, both specialization modules (for the undergraduate and graduate studies) will be elaborated by the team from the department of Polish studies and other participants.

Intellectual output no. 3

- **Course design:**

an extensive description of each course of the "Citizen Journalism" module; preparing the course description catalog.

Intellectual output no. 4

- **Handbook:**

Development of an interdisciplinary handbook on Citizen journalism that will contain chapters for each subject that will be available on the online educational platform.

Intellectual output no. 5 (December 2023 – end of January 2024)

- **Videolectures:**

Elaboration and recording of a series of 15 video lectures for selected subjects from the "Citizen Journalism" module that will supplement materials contained in the handbook.

Intellectual output no. 3, 4, 5: dissemination

- **Conference:**

The conference will be dedicated to issues related to the educational, social and ethical aspects of working as a journalist. The project results will be summarized and presented during the panel organized by the project team for the applicant's academic staff and all stakeholders interested in the new curricula.

December 2023 or January 2024

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