

Ann Oldenburg

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Summary:

Journalist, lecturer and program administrator determined to help college students navigate the vital, but often-vicious, media world of today. Intent on teaching balanced, fair and ethical best practices in the field, based on a background of in-the-trenches writing and reporting at The Washington Post, USA Today and elsewhere. Constantly searching for ways to stress the importance of a free press. Always trying to find new techniques and courses to engage and inspire students. Currently intrigued by aging and ageism issues facing our global society.

Skills:

- Classroom lectures
- Student mentoring, career development
- Internship strategizing, networking
- Program management –budgeting, event planning, applicant administration
- Alum and interdisciplinary campus coordination
- Scholarship committee selection work
- Writing/Editing

Professional Experience

Georgetown University

Assistant Director/Lecturer, Journalism Program (September 2018 – current)

- 2016 – Adjunct lecturer
- 2017 – Full-time non-tenure line lecturer, teaching Introduction to Journalism (JOUR 100) and Digital News (JOUR 200), interim program director
- 2018 – Assistant Director/Lecturer

Lifzette.com

Pop Culture Editor/Writer – Washington, D.C. (February 2016 to November 2016)

- Managed a group of six freelancers based around the country
- Wrote, edited and published several stories each day

USA Today

Reporter/Editor (1987 – 2015)

- Wrote, edited and packaged six to 10 entertainment stories a day, from features to breaking news stories for digital, video and print products
- Planned and executed content for all platforms in a variety of formats
- Covered all major awards shows – Oscars, Emmys, Golden Globes and more
- Interviewed dozens of celebrities
- Was a featured face in a 2014 advertising campaign for USA TODAY

The Washington Post (1981-1987)

Administrator/Clerk/Intern

- Managed a staff of a dozen newsroom copy aides
- Wrote for the Style section as an intern

Organizations

- Berkley Center/Pulitzer Center International Reporting Fellowship selection committee, Spring 2018 and 2019
- International Center for Journalists “World in 2030” reporting program mentor, Spring 2018
- Georgetown Entertainment Media Alliance scholarship selection committee, Fall 2018, 2019
- Georgetown’s TEL (Technology-Enhanced Learning) Colloquium, 2018-2019

Freelance Work

- Regular contributor to [Parents’ Choice Foundation](#) reviewing children’s media.
- Helped launch and regularly contribute to The Employment Law Group’s [Bad Boss of the Month](#) newsletter, highlighting issues including age discrimination.
- Have written recently for [Stria News](#), [AARP.org](#), [Next Avenue.com](#) and [USO.org](#), on age-related/celebrity issues.
- Co-author of [The Dog Lover’s Companion to Washington, D.C. and Baltimore](#), a guidebook for places to take your pooch.
- Have appeared as an expert on TV shows including the *Today* show, *Entertainment Tonight* and WUSA9 news.
- Panel moderator, most recently for the USO at 2016 Country Music Fest in Nashville featuring Kellie Pickler, and [Vocus conference](#), 2013, featuring Elisabeth Moss.

Education

- Georgetown University
Master’s of Science in Aging & Health, expected graduation: December 2019
- University of Florida
Bachelor of Science, Journalism