



## Course details

### Course title

Literature: Secrets of investigative journalism

### Course code

Q00020840

### Course date

Start: 21/01/25

End: 25/03/25

### Number of classes

10 sessions

### Timetable

Tue 21st Jan, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 28th Jan, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 4th Feb, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 11th Feb, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 18th Feb, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 25th Feb, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 4th Mar, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 11th Mar, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 18th Mar, 10:30 to 12:30

Tue 25th Mar, 10:30 to 12:30

### Branch

Brookmans Park

### Tutor

Rebecca Eliahoo Charles

### Fee range

Free to £84.00

## **How you'll learn**

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

In venue

## **Venue**

URC Lounge, Brookmans Park

Oaklands Avenue

Brookmans Park

AL9 7UW

## **Level of study**

Beginners

## **Course overview**

If you wonder how people uncover information in the public interest that would usually remain in the dark, this course on investigative journalism is for you. This introductory course highlights the skills needed by investigative journalists when they conduct public interest investigations. Participants explore ways of reporting and editing stories, especially those which usually go unreported. The course will cover definitions of investigative journalism; how to find and plan an investigative story and which sources might be available. It gives a brief introduction to some of the legal and regulatory aspects of journalism.

## **Course description**

Investigative journalism examines how and why something happened and unearths information that might otherwise stay hidden.

Investigative journalists research a single topic of interest, such as serious crimes, political corruption, or corporate wrongdoing. An investigative journalist may spend months or years researching and preparing a report.

Most investigative journalism has traditionally been conducted by newspapers, wire services, and freelance journalists.

With the decline in income through advertising, many traditional news services have struggled to fund investigative journalism, which is time-consuming and expensive. Journalistic investigations are increasingly carried out by news organizations working together, even internationally (as in the case of the Panama Papers and Paradise Papers), or by organisations which rely on the support of the public and benefactors to fund their work.

## **What financial support is available?**

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

## **What other support is available?**

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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