

CALL FOR PAPER PROPOSALS

Media Ethics 2000 Colloquium Who Can and Should Watch the Watchdog in the Twitter Age?

Media Ethics 2000 Colloquium, founded by Brigham Young University, is preparing for its 10th colloquium, which will take place in April, 2010, in St. Louis. The 2010 colloquium, Who Can and Should Watch the Watchdog in the Twitter Age?, provides a venue for mass media scholarship examining a variety of accountability issues and tools ranging from journalism reviews to news councils to ombudsmen to public/civic journalism to media critics to ethics codes, etc.

Colloquium submissions should be normative, focusing on ethics and theory as opposed to media criticism or individual case studies.

Potential colloquium fellows are invited to submit proposals of no more than 1,000 words. As many as nine team proposals will be selected by the Colloquium Steering Committee. Proposals can be submitted either by an individual scholar or by a pair of scholars. Should a proposal submitted by an individual be accepted, the colloquium steering committee will help determine another appropriate scholar to work with the person submitting the proposal. In past colloquia, fellows pairings have embraced diversity, including, for instance, having one scholar in a team being more “seasoned” and the other scholar being new to media ethics, or having one scholar being an academician with the other contributor being from the media or another profession (law, for example), having team members from two different disciplines, or having a pair of individuals from different nations or cultures.

The proposal deadline is Nov. 1, 2009. Proposals should be submitted electronically to William A. Babcock at wbabcock49@gmail.com. Acceptance notices will be sent out in November.

Final papers of no more than 8,000 words (including references and footnotes) are due no later than March, 2010. The colloquium will pay travel, room and board expenses for all fellows. The *Journal of Mass Media Ethics* will have the right of first refusal for all presented colloquium papers, and upon publication each author will receive a \$500 honorarium.

This year’s Colloquium is co-sponsored by Southern Illinois University Carbondale.