

Politics in the Media Research Assignment



Purpose

Please note that this is not a “punishment” for missing the field trip. Instead, this exercise will aid you in learning the same material that those who did go on the trip will learn. Participation in the field trip activities OR completion of the following tasks will both earn you full marks for this assignment.

Tasks

Using the internet or any other means of research, write a half page (single spaced) about both of the following issues and submit them in class the day after the field trip.

1. What are some of the inner workings of a major television news corporation? (CBC, CTV, CNN, etc.) Try to identify as many of the players, equipment, costs, policies, programs, etc. that would be part of the regular operation of the studios.
2. What goes on inside the Ontario Legislature? Go into detail about the layout, the people who work there, the surrounding area, the symbolic significance, impacts of decisions made there, etc.

Resources

- CBC - www.cbc.ca/aboutcbc/discover/tours.html
- CNN - www.cnn.com/StudioTour
- CTV - www.ctv.ca/generic/generated/static/CorpAbout/about.html
- Ontario Legislature - www.ontla.on.ca