

## JOURNALIST INTERNET RESOURCES

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### PART I: RESOURCE DISCOVERY (Best Resources for Journalists)

#### **ARAB MEDIA & SOCIETY** <http://www.arabmediasociety.com/>

The website was created by a working partnership between the American University of Cairo's Kamal Adham Center for Journalism Training and Research and The Middle East Centre at Oxford. The site covers "all forms of media, and their interaction with society-at-large, from politics and business to culture and religion, as well as the way in which Arab media change resonates in the broader Muslim world."

Visitors can view recent articles and posts by topic along the left-hand side of the site and also view featured articles that cover everything from insurgent video propaganda to an exploration of the BBC Arabic satellite channel. Additionally, visitors can view videos clips and listen to a number of audio selections. *For anyone with an interest in journalism in the Arab world, this site will be simply invaluable.*

#### **KNIGHT DIGITAL MEDIA CENTER**

<http://knightdigitalmediacenter.org/>

Funded by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and created and maintained through a partnership between the University of Southern California's Annenberg School for Communication and the University of California Berkeley's Graduate School of Journalism, the Knight Digital Media Center is a very nice resource for just about any type of working journalist. Visitors to the site will find tutorials on being a better online journalist and newsroom leader and incorporating new and innovative weblogs into their work. Visitors can also learn about their seminar series and get the latest updates from the multitude of weblogs they sponsor. Additionally, visitors can click on through to some of their partner organizations, including J-Lab: The Institute for Interactive Journalism and the Knight Citizen News Network.

#### **KNIGHT FOUNDATION: JOURNALISM TUTORIALS:**

[http://www.kcnn.org/resources/journalism\\_20/](http://www.kcnn.org/resources/journalism_20/)

Newspaper Archive.com: <http://newspaperarchive.com/> Search historic US Newspapers

Also Search Special Collections (9/11, Abraham Lincoln, Kennedy Assassination and much more!) <http://newspaperarchive.com/SpecialCollections.aspx>

1. The **National Press Club**: <http://www.press.org/library/resources.cfm>

SEE ALSO <http://journalism.org> and

The American Press Institute: <http://americanpressinstitute.org/> and  
Committee to Protect Journalists: <http://www.cpj.org>

Also try the **New York Times Cybertimes Navigator**:

<http://tech.nytimes.com/top/news/technology/cybertimesnavigator/index.html#journalism>

2. **The Poynter Organization**: Seminars, Resource Links, Web Tips, Writing Better.  
<http://poynter.org>

**HINT**: Use the internal search engine to do a search on "WOMEN."

3. The Internet for Journalists: Web Tips from Jonathan Oatis:  
<http://oatis.com/> Includes Business Sites for Journalists and How to Find Public Records Online.
4. **Finding Data/Statistics on the Internet:**  
<http://www.robertniles.com/data/>  
  
**Economic Topics for Journalists:** (from Initiative for Policy Dialogue):  
[http://www-1.gsb.columbia.edu/ipd/j\\_intro.html](http://www-1.gsb.columbia.edu/ipd/j_intro.html) (Valuable Backgrounders cover such topics as: Banking Crises, Dollarization, Foreign Exchange Crises Privatization, Debt Relief, etc.)
5. **Power Reporting Tools:** <http://powerreporting.com>
6. **Journalism Net** (includes Business News): <http://journalismnet.com>
7. **List of Experts for Journalists:**  
<http://www.nyu.edu/globalbeat/expertlist.html>
8. More Sources and Experts: <http://www.ibiblio.org/slanews/internet/experts.html>
9. **ProfNET DATABASE:** [http://www3.profnet.com/profnet\\_home/index.html](http://www3.profnet.com/profnet_home/index.html)
11. **American Journalism Review:** <http://ajr.org> lists professional organizations, with links to Electronic Magazines and Newspapers in the field of Journalism. Also, a world wide listing of electronic newspapers/magazines may be found at:  
<http://allyoucanread.com/>
12. **Headlines and Breaking News:** <http://1stheadlines.com> and  
<http://headlinespot.com>; <http://news.google.com> and <http://news.yahoo.com>
13. **Newslink.org** --electronic newspapers and magazines around the world  
(<http://newslink.org>)

**STATE OF THE MEDIA:** The State of the News Media 2008 is the fifth edition of the **PROJECT FOR EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM** annual report on American journalism.

<http://www.stateofthenewsmedia.org/2008/index.php>

The report is divided into nine main sections:

1. [Overview](#)
  2. [Newspapers](#)
  3. [Online](#)
  4. [Network TV](#)
  5. [Cable TV](#)
  6. [Local TV](#)
  7. [Magazines](#)
  8. [Radio](#)
  9. [Ethnic](#)
14. **Today's Front Pages** <http://www.newseum.org/todaysfrontpages/default.asp>  
View the front pages of international newspapers.  
Click on a region as cursor slides over the newspaper names, each front page displays in miniature; then click on newspaper name.

15. **INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.** <http://www.ire.org/>  
IRE is an international organization run by investigative journalists. A one-stop gateway for in-depth news reporting, this site is intended to assist journalists to obtain quick access to databases, model investigative stories, and current background information. The opening page links to affiliated sites, including <http://reporter.org>
16. **IPI Global Journalist:** <http://www.globaljournalist.org/index.html>  
The University of Missouri's School of Journalism sponsors the International Press Institute's (IPI) Global Journalist magazine. Through this quarterly publication, visitors can read the latest edition or browse issues from 1999 to the present day.

**HANDBOOK OF INDEPENDENT JOURNALISM**

<http://usinfo.state.gov/products/pubs/journalism/index.htm>

**ARABIC VERSION AT:** <http://usinfo.state.gov/arabic/pubs/journalism/index.htm>

**MORE IIP PUBLICATIONS AT:**

December 2007 eJournal [Media Making Change](#)

March 2006 eJournal [Media Emerging](#)

**Other Print publications**

[Handbook of Independent Journalism,](#)

[About America: Edward R. Murrow, Journalism at Its Best,](#)

[A Responsible Press Office,](#) and

[An Unfettered Press.](#)

17. **WEEKLY CONTENT ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS:** [http://www.journalism.org/news\\_index](http://www.journalism.org/news_index)

**PART II: LOCATING U.S. POLICY STATEMENTS AND TRANSCRIPTS:**

1. **U.S. State Department Web Site** <http://www.state.gov>
2. **AMERICA.GOV:** [america.gov](http://america.gov) has themes, electronic journals; major policy statements, especially for NEA.
3. **Foreign Press Center (FPC):** <http://fpc.state.gov> (for U.S. GOVERNMENT REPORTS/CRS REPORTS/ MAJOR PRESS BRIEFINGS)
4. **VOA (VOICE OF AMERICA):** <http://www.voanews.com>
5. **Thomas** (locates U.S. legislation—either passed or proposed by either chamber): <http://thomas.loc.gov>
6. **White House:** <http://www.whitehouse.gov> (includes speeches, transcripts, reports;)
7. **Official Links to U.S POLICY AND DOSSIERS:** <http://www.uspolicy.be>

**CITIZEN JOURNALISM: TEN STEPS TO MORE EFFECTIVE CITIZEN JOURNALISM  
ONLINE  
PRODUCED BY: ARAB MEDIA & SOCIETY (2008)**

Online citizen journalism provides a platform for people to voice their opinions on various topics. The question is where to start and what needs to be done to generate discussion?

This guide focuses on writing blogs\*, providing an outline of how to get started, how to collect information, and how to tell it accurately. In addition, advice is given on how not to break any laws and how bloggers can protect themselves and remain anonymous. Ten steps are given including:

- *getting started*
- *what to say and how to say it honestly and effectively*
- *how to have people listen to you*
- *how to protect yourself and others*
- *why you need to manage your blog*
- *what are your rights?*
- *open-source reporting*
- *why your voice is needed*

An example of a well written blog is given as well useful links for each step. Blogs are often described as an online journal or commentary which other internet users can read and comment on

The report is available online at:

<http://www.eldis.org/cf/rdr/?doc=37616&em=240708□=man>

**PART III: RESOURCES SPECIFICALLY FOR WOMEN:**

**USINFO: WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH:**

[http://usinfo.state.gov/scv/history\\_geography\\_and\\_population/population\\_and\\_diversity/women\\_in\\_the\\_us.html](http://usinfo.state.gov/scv/history_geography_and_population/population_and_diversity/women_in_the_us.html)

**WOMEN: KEY INTERNET RESOURCES:**

<http://www.ala.org/ala/acrl/acrlpubs/crlnews/backissues2005/May05/May05.htm>

**GENDER FOR JOURNALISTS: A MEDIA TOOLKIT:**

[http://www.cpu.org.uk/cpu-toolkits/gender\\_reporting/setting\\_the\\_scene.html](http://www.cpu.org.uk/cpu-toolkits/gender_reporting/setting_the_scene.html)

**E-JOURNALS LISTINGS: MANY ARE IN ARABIC:**

<http://usinfo.state.gov/journals/journala.htm>

**IIP PUBLICATIONS: LISTINGS:**

<http://usinfo.state.gov/products/pubs/>

**ABOUT AMERICA: WOMEN OF INFLUENCE:**

<http://usinfo.state.gov/products/pubs/womeninfln/>

**ELDIS: WOMEN'S ISSUES BEING TACKLED BY NGOS and CIVIL SOCIETY**

**GROUPS AROUND THE WORLD:** <http://www.eldis.org> Look in GENDER FOLDER.

**TRAFFICKING:**

Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons:

<http://www.state.gov/g/tip/>

**A PASSAGE TO HOPE: WOMEN AND INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION, STATE OF WORLD POPULATION 2006:**

<http://www.unfpa.org/swp/2006/english/introduction.html>  
(International Statistics on Women Migrants Worldwide)

**WOMEN AT WORK: A PROGRESS REPORT, JUNE 2007:**

<http://dallasfed.org/research/ecllett/2007/e10705.pdf>

**WOMEN AND THE ECONOMY: WOMEN'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO ECONOMIC GROWTH AND GLOBALIZATION:**

<http://dallasfed.org/research/ecllett/2007/e10705.pdf>

**FACTS FOR FEATURES: WOMEN'S 2007 STATISTICS IN THE U.S. FROM THE CENSUS BUREAU**

<http://www.census.gov/Press-Release/www/releases/archives/cb07ff-03.pdf>

**EXCELLENT SEARCH ENGINES FOR RESEARCH TOPICS**

**Librarians Index to the Internet:** <http://www.lii.org>

**INTERNET PUBLIC LIBRARY:** <http://www.ipl.org> Consult the ready reference section for latest statistics, associations, organizations, and an electronic reading room on all topics.

**VIRTUAL LIBRARIES SUBJECT COLLECTIONS IN ALL AREAS:** [www.vlib.org](http://www.vlib.org)

**ALCOVE 9 FROM THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS:**

<http://www.loc.gov/rr/main/alcove9/>

**PRACTICAL NEWSROOM EXERCISES:**

**PRACTICAL GRAMMAR AND WRITING EXERCISES TO PLACE STORIES IN CORRECT AP STYLE:**

[Newsroom 101 http://newsroom101.com](http://newsroom101.com) can help journalists and journalism students master the basics of grammar and AP style with more than 1,900 easy-to-use exercises. The site is great for reporters, editors, students and others who want to write *with accuracy and clarity*

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Many related research resources are also available at this site:  
<http://irosteveperry.pbwiki.com/irosteveperry>