

Lecture • Tuesday, October 24, 2023 • 7:00pm

Alee Quick, “Journalism is Democracy’s Watchdog: That’s Why We Need News Literacy”

Morris Library • 1st Floor • Guyon Auditorium



Journalism is democracy’s watchdog, but are news consumers prepared to determine the credibility of news and information? As local news struggles and bad actors exploit evolving technology and deepening polarization, it’s harder to know what information is safe to trust, share, and act on. News literacy teaches how to think about the news we encounter daily, preparing us to recognize—and value—the standards of quality journalism. Alee Quick of the News Literacy Project will discuss her organization’s educational resources, civic engagement work, and national movement for news literacy.

Alee Quick is the director of civic engagement for the national education nonprofit the News Literacy Project, where she manages organizational partnerships and training events for independent learners and promotes the organization’s resources for adults. She previously was an editor at The Southern Illinoisan and worked at the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute. She is also the longtime trivia host at Hangar 9.

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