

JCU Student Media Framework

JCU Student Media include the following recognized and projected outlets:

- The Matthew
- JCU Student TV
- JCU Student Radio (projected)
- Any independent website created by a JCU club or organization
- Any independent podcast created by a JCU club or organization

JCU supports recognized Student Media by providing facilities, a budget and a faculty advisor.

Student Media organizations are dedicated to providing news, information, and creative expression relevant to the JCU community, and an open forum for thoughtful discussion and pluralistic debate on issues of interest to it. Editorially independent of the University's administration, Student Media outlets produce such content freely and thoroughly, following professional journalistic standards in writing, reporting and producing.

Student writers-producers are responsible for the content of any materials published or broadcast in JCU Student Media Organizations. This content is independent, but ought to adhere to the following:

- The University's mission and codes of conduct;
- Italian and EU legal standards governing free speech, including protections for intellectual property and privacy, and protections against hate speech and defamation;
- Media ethics and best journalistic practices such as fact-checking and fairness.

It is the role of editors, the faculty advisor and the JCU Student Media Advisory Board to guide student content producers in ensuring respect for these principles. To facilitate this formative training, Editors (and others) may enroll in a 1-credit course (modelled on the 1-credit RA program) in which they meet regularly with the Faculty Advisor as lead professor, and other members of the Communications Department.

All student media productions/publications/broadcasts should include the following statement:

"This publication reflects the views of the editors/writers/producers who created it."

A JCU Student Media Advisory Board is established to:

- Serve as a consulting body for writers-producers, editors and faculty advisors regarding any ethical or legal concerns they may have with a work before it is made public by providing double blind and expert recommendations.
- Mediate conflicts between writer-producers and faculty advisors.
- Provide general guidance and recommendations regarding publications and broadcasts.

JCU Student Media Advisory Board

Standing members

Director of Student Services, who shall also act as Secretary to the Board

Coordinator of the JCU Media Lab

Director of JCU Web Communications

Student Government President or delegated representative

Communications Department faculty member

Appointed members from JCU faculty (appointed by the Standing members)

Expert in media law

Expert in media ethics

A Faculty Advisor also serving on the Student Media Advisory Board shall recuse him- or herself from any Advisory Board activities to mediate a dispute with student writer-producers in which s/he is also a party.