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Free Press, Free Speech – Free Classes

MANCHESTER _ In the midst of an important New Hampshire Presidential Primary campaign, the Nackey S. Loeb School of Communications is offering free classes on covering politics, writing editorials and the First Amendment.

Media veterans Tom Fahey and Marty Karlon and First Amendment attorney Gregory Sullivan will teach the six week sessions that begin Wednesday, Sept. 12.

Tom Fahey is Statehouse bureau chief for the New Hampshire Union Leader and Sunday News. He has worked for the two newspapers for more than 25 years, focusing now on government and political stories. Fahey has covered seven New Hampshire Presidential Primaries. His class will be particularly timely as the primary campaign intensifies. Class members will be covering presidential events. Political writing will be offered Wednesdays from 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Marty Karlon is the Sunday editor at The Telegraph of Nashua and is also a member of the newspaper's editorial board. He joined the paper in 1989 and has held a number of positions there, including regional editor, online editor and managing editor. His efforts as an editorial writer have been recognized by the New England Associated Press News Executives Association (NEAPNEA) and the New England Press Association (NEPA). As part of this course, class members will be expected to editorialize about the presidential primary campaign and research and write an editorial endorsing a candidate. Editorial writing will be offered Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00.

Attorney Gregory Sullivan is president of Malloy & Sullivan, Lawyers Professional Corporation, a law firm with offices in Manchester and Hingham, Mass. He teaches First Amendment Law at Suffolk University Law School and is corporate counsel for the New Hampshire Union Leader. Greg also serves as Special Assistant Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He has presented oral arguments to the Supreme Court of New Hampshire in several landmark public access cases. First Amendment Law will be offered Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m.

The classes are offered free of charge, funded in part by the late Mrs. Loeb, who was president and publisher of the Union Leader Corp.

Since it was founded in 1999, 2,100 students have completed courses or workshops at the school.

Registration is available at www.loebschool.org or by calling the school at 627-0005.