

# IVY A. LYONS

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## EDUCATION

### University of Maryland, College Park

Ph.D., Journalism Studies

*Advisor:* Rob Wells, Ph.D.

*Committee Members:* Rob Wells, Ph.D., Susan Moeller, Ph.D., Ron Yaros, Ph.D., Catherine Knight Steele, Ph.D., Christoph Mergerson, Ph.D.

College Park, MD

\*Anticipated May 2027

### Certificate: Digital Studies in the Arts and Humanities

*Advisor:* Marisa Parham, Ph.D.

\*Anticipated December 2025

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### Georgetown University

M.P.S., Journalism

Washington, DC

May 2021

*Advisors:* Devon Haynie, Carole Feldman

*Capstone:* Statehood and the COVID-19 response

### Certificate: Apprenticeship in Teaching

May 2021

### Greenville University

B.A., Philosophy

Greenville, IL

May 2019

Music Industry Studies, Commercial Performance

*Advisor:* Christina Smerick, Ph.D.

*Departmental Honors Thesis: Focusing on the Marginalized: Representation and Application of Diverse and Inclusive Philosophies in Systemic Frameworks and Institutions - Reflection and Commentary*

*Committee Members:* John Brittingham, Ph.D., Christina Smerick, Ph.D., Larissa Malone, PhD.

### Shawnee Community College

Certificate of Nurse Assisting

Shawnee, IL

January 2015

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## RESEARCH

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### Book Chapters

\***Lyons, Ivy A.** and Steiner, Linda. “Audible Black and Queer Feminist Politics: Keeping the Mic On Digital Activism and Cultural Memory.”

\***Lyons, Ivy A.** “From X to OnlyFans – Queer Sex Work in Cross-Platformed Economies”

### Book Reviews

\***Lyons, Ivy A.** [Review of the book *Technoskepticism: Between Possibility and Refusal* by The DISCO Network].

**Lyons, Ivy. A.** (2025). The Anti-Racist Media Manifesto: Anamik Saha, Francesca Sobande, and Gavan Titley. (2024). Cambridge, Medford: Polity Press, 160 pp. \$12.95 (softcover), ISBN 9781509559848; \$45.00 (hardcover), ISBN 9781509559831; \$10.00 (ebook), 9781509559855. *Journal of Broadcasting & Electronic Media*, 1–3.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/08838151.2025.2607429>

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## CONFERENCE WORK

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### American Journalism Historians Association

2025 Conference in Long Beach, CA

September 25-27, 2025

*The Mic Drop: Tracing the History of Black Journalists in Broadcast and Radio*

Panelists: Robin Sundaramoorthy, Ivy A. Lyons, Antoine Haywood, Denetra Dianne Walker

Submitter: Rachel L. Grant

Moderator: Felecia Ross

### Innovations in Teaching & Learning Conference

2025 Conference in College Park, MD

May 14, 2025

*Fearless Teaching with Joy*

Panelists: Robin Sundaramoorthy, Gea Ujčić, Ivy A. Lyons, Jodi McFarland Friedman, Wei-ping Li

### Joint Journalism and Communication History Conference

2025 Conference in College Park, MD

March 28, 2025

*Personalities Panel*

Panelists: Richard and Anne Lee, Benji de la Piedra, Michael Sessa, Lisa C. Luedeman, Diana Krovvidi, and Richard R. John

Discussant: Ivy A. Lyons

### Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication

2024 Conference in Philadelphia, PA

August 8-11, 2024

*Critical and Cultural Studies Division and Community Journalism*

August 10, 2024

*Interest Group Scholar-to-Scholar (Poster) Session*

Topic: Mediated Race, Technology, and Counter-cultures

Discussant: Ivy A. Lyons

**Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication**

*2023 Conference in Washington, D.C.*

August 6-10, 2023

*Panel:* Teaching for Social Justice: Theory and Practice

August 7, 2023

*Panelists:* Sohana Nasrin, Minjie Li, Meredith Clark, **Ivy A. Lyons**

*Moderator:* Marisa Holmes

*Paper Session:* Commission on Status of Graduate Education

August 8, 2023

*Presenters:* Patti Douglass, Mohamed Salama, Fangxin Xu

*Moderator:* **Ivy A. Lyons**

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## TEACHING

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**University of Maryland, College Park**

College Park, MD

*Course Instructor*

**JOUR 150 — Introduction to Mass Communication** Summer II (July-Aug) 2025

- **Responsibility:** Teaching the functions and effects of the mass media in the United States. Providing a consumer's introduction to newspapers, television, radio, film, sound recording, books, magazines, and new media technology.
- **Class Size:** 15 students.

**JOUR 284 — Scandal: Exposing Corruption, Justice, and Vice in America** Winter 2025

- **Responsibility:** Offered select students, via virtual methods, an introduction to the theoretical and historical underpinnings of mass-mediated scandal in politics, science, religion, social media, business, government, sports, and higher education.
- **Class Size:** 3 students

**JOUR 130 — Self-Presentation in the Age of YouTube** Fall 2024

- **Responsibility:** Taught students the skills necessary to present effectively through active individual and group presentations, provided instruction on the key techniques used in public speaking and facilitated group critique of presentation publicly available in the social media space on sites such as YouTube.

**Class Size:** 20 students

**JOUR 200 — Journalism History, Roles and Structures** Fall 2024

- **Responsibility:** Guided students through journalism history from the 17th Century to the present, teaching basic theories of journalism in modern Western society from the standpoint of media history and sociology. In addition, facilitated the development of professional and networking skills critical to success in the modern media landscape.
- **Class Size:** 29 students

*Teaching Assistant*

**JOUR 284 — Scandal: Exposing Corruption** August 2021-May 2025

- **Responsibility:** Administrative oversight of course grading, attendance, communications, and class site design.
- **Class Size:** Up to 60 students per semester over seven semesters (excluding Fall 2024)

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## LECTURES

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**Johns Hopkins University**

Washington, DC

*Guest Speaker: Ivy A. Lyons, Digital Local News Reporting*

October 18, 2024

*Course: Journalism and Publishing in the Digital Age*

Primary Instructor: Mladen Petkov

**George Washington University**

Washington, DC

*Guest Speaker: Ivy A. Lyons, Digital Local News Reporting*

May 1, 2023

*Course: Introduction to News Writing and Reporting*

Primary Instructor: Sarah Karlin-Smith

**University of Maryland, College Park**

College Park, MD

*Guest Lectures**Influencers and Society*

February 25, 2025

*Course:* Beyond Facebook: How Social Media are Transforming Society, Culture, Business and Politics

Primary Instructor: Wenyu Ye

*The Black Press*

October 3, 2024

*Course:* Journalism History, Roles and Structures

Primary Instructor: Wenyu Ye

*Digital Journalism Practice*

September 24, 2024

*Course:* Introduction to Mass Media

Primary Instructor: Mengyuan Chen

*The Penny Press*

September 5, 2024

*Course:* Journalism History, Roles and Structures

Primary Instructor: Wenyu Ye

*Media Theories of Race, Gender and Sexuality*

March 30, 2023

*Course:* Media Literacy

Primary Instructor: Wenyu Ye

*Historic Muckrakers and Investigative Journalism*

March 30, 2023

*Course:* Journalism History, Roles and Structures

Primary Instructor: Robin Sundaramoorthy

*Educational Panels**Covering and Reporting within the LGBTQ+ community*

May 7, 2025

*Panelist with Moderator Christoph Mergerson*

Organizer: NLGJA UMD

Jodi MacFarland Friedman, Diana Krovvidi, **Ivy A. Lyons**,

December 5, 2024

*Journalism Futures**Course:* Journalism History, Roles and Structures

Primary Instructor: Wenyu Ye

*“How We Won the War for LGBTQ Equality”*

April 6, 2023

*Panelist: Kevin Naff, Editor & Co-Owner of the Washington Blade*

Organizer: NLGJA UMD

*Moderator: Ivy A. Lyons***UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS****University of Maryland, College Park**

College Park, MD

*Vice President of Legislative Affairs and Speaker of the Assembly*

July 2025-June 2026

- **Department:** Graduate Student Government
- **Responsibilities:** Overseeing legislative procedures, agenda setting, and the facilitation of Assembly meetings, acting as a liaison between representatives and the Executive

Committees, and ensuring the timely review and advancement of graduate legislation (among other assigned duties).

*Graduate Assistant*

August 2024-May 2025

- **Department:** Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities
- **Program:** Digital Studies in the Arts and Humanities (DSAH)
- **Responsibilities:** Draft and send communications on behalf of the the Digital Studies in the Arts and Humanities (DSAH) program. Work with the current director to support programming and events.

*Administrative Assistant*

March 2024-May 2025

- **Supervisor:** Dr. Mark P. Leone
- **Responsibilities:** Draft and send communications on behalf of Dr. Leone. Aided in the editing, coordinating, and submission of research projects, including two forthcoming University Press books. All other administrative duties as assigned.

## SERVICE

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<b>University of Maryland, College Park</b>	College Park, MD
Overbooked Student Organization Academic Advisor	December 2021-Present
Merrill College Programs, Courses, and Curricula (PCC) Committee	October 2023-May 2025
Graduate Assistant Advisory Committee Representative	December 2023-May 2025
Graduate Student Government	October 2024-Present
Representative and Member: Governance Committee (2024)	
Chair: Rules Committee (2025)	
Chair: Legislative Affairs Committee (2025)	
Member: Elections Committee (2025)	
University Senate Graduate Senator	May 2024-May 2025
Chair: Student Affairs Committee (2024)	
Member: Committee on Committees (2024)	
Ex-Officio: Campus Affairs Committee (2025)	
<b>Association of Educators in Journalism and Mass Communications</b>	
Commission on Graduate Education Peer Reviewer (5)	April 2025
LGBTQ+ Interest Group Peer Reviewer (3)	April 2025
Commission on Graduate Education Peer Reviewer (2)	May 2024
LGBTQ+ Interest Group Peer Reviewer (3)	May 2024
<b>Georgetown University</b>	Washington, DC
Treasurer of the GU Society of Professional Journalists	April 2020-August 2021

## AFFILIATIONS

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Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication	2022-Present
Society of Professional Journalists	2019-Present
National Association of Black Journalists	2019-Present
National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association	2020-Present

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**WTOP-FM, Hubbard Broadcasting** Chevy Chase, MD  
*Freelance Digital Journalist* Aug. 2021-Feb. 2025

- Create digital news stories for the DC Metro area across dayparts, increasing the reach and quality of news products.
- Produce multimedia stories for WTOP.com that are tailored to a variety of digital audiences and radio listeners.
- Write and edit audio content for air and publication on WTOP.com.
- Coordinate with daypart producer to organize live interviews, exclusive content, and longform journalistic products.

**Arts Business Collaborative** New York, NY  
*Communication Consultant* August 2022-May 2023

- Creating written materials, including newsletters, articles, campaigns, blogs and social media posts for ABC through public relations copy writing.
- Editing and providing support for written materials and campaigns included in publications.
- Advising on communications strategies, content release planning, and the implementation and research of communications plans.

**PoliticusUSA** April 2021-Aug. 2021  
*Contributing Writer, Media Analysis*

- Create, write, and research stories from news programs and publications.
- Create left-leaning columns and draft media analysis introducing audiences to stories they may have missed throughout the week.

**United States Senate** December. 2019-Aug. 2020  
*Staff Assistant, Office of Sen. Dick Durbin*

- Perform reception, general office support, and all other duties as assigned for the senator and all administrative and support staff.
- Assisted when possible with the writing and editing of some speeches, researching coronavirus press stories, and drafting now-published congressional record entries.

## SELECT PROFESSIONAL WORKS

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- **Lyons, Ivy**, Va. Gov. Youngkin seeks 15-week abortion ban as DC-area leaders react to Supreme Court abortion ruling. *WTOP News*. Sept 25, 2021.
  - Part of the 2023 Regional Edward R. Murrow Award-winning Breaking News coverage of the fall of Roe v. Wade.
- **Lyons, Ivy** and Alvarez, Alejandro, Winter storm warning issued for DC area; some could see 10+ inches of snow Monday *WTOP News*. Oct. 18, 2021.
  - First digital report of the snowstorm behind the 2023 Chesapeake AP Broadcasters Association award-winning “Nightmare on I-95” series.
- **Lyons, Ivy**, Johns Hopkins virologist: ‘Pay close attention’ to Omicron variant cases *WTOP News*. Nov. 27, 2021.

- PODCAST: ‘This is anybody’s game’: Md. Governor primary race is a toss-up *WTOP News*. July 18, 2022. Hosted by Luke Garrett and Megan Cloherty, with reporting from Kate Ryan and **Ivy Lyons**.
- **Lyons, Ivy**, Experts, advocates: LGBTQ+ students ‘collateral damage’ in education debates, controversy *WTOP News*. Dec. 12, 2022.