CS0205: Basic Media Writing Assignment One

You are a reporter for your neighborhood newspaper or online news publication. For this assignment, you will report on what is happening within 1km of your home. You need to go out there and ask people what is happening and write a news story. Your news story could include coverage of an event, an incident, an emerging trend or anything else that might be newsworthy to the reader of your neighborhood newspaper or online news publication. In terms of timeliness, you should be reporting on news related to the month of February and early March of this year.

# What is expected:

* Headline (8-10 words)
* Strong lead + a news angle
* Two or three levels of newsmakers
* Use inverted news pyramid structure.
  + Begin with the most important points of the story.
* Names and contact info of those you have interviewed

*While you will not be graded on photos, feel free to add one or two if you are up for it!*

# Rubrics:

Please refer to Appendix 1 of your syllabus for the complete grading rubrics.

Based on the rubrics, instructor will pay close attention to these key areas in particular:

* Headline, lead and news angle
* Quality of content: multiple sources & newsgathering
* Accuracy and balance
* Structure of the article
* Clarity of the writing and copy mechanics (grammar & punctuation)
* Word count: 500 words (+/- 10%)

# Deadline: 23:59 Friday, March 11

# How to submit?

* Submit as a Word document to your instructor; file name of document should state: <CS0205 T#>-<your name>-Assignment1
* At the top of your word document, please also include:

<tutorial group #>\_<your name>\_Assignment1

* Email your submission to:

[*veenu.advani@ntu.edu.sg*](mailto:veenu.advani@ntu.edu.sg)

* Email subject header should contain: <CS0205 T #>\_<your name>\_Assignment1

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