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Wednesday, June 12

Time	Session	Room
3 - 6 p.m.	IRE Conference registration (Wednesday)	Texas Foyer
3 - 6 p.m.	IRE Conference sales (Wednesday)	Texas Foyer

Thursday, June 13

Time	Session	Room
7:30 a.m 6 p.m.	IRE Conference registration (Thursday)	Texas Foyer
7:30 a.m 6 p.m.	IRE Conference sales (Thursday)	Texas Foyer
8:30 - 8:50 a.m.	Welcome first-timers: Get a button and conference tips	Texas D, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	The uncovered angles of guns	Texas F, Level 4
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Master class: Becoming a public records sleuth **pre-registered attendees only	David Mitzner, Level 4
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Master class: Leading an investigations team **pre-registered attendees only	Clear Lake, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Thursday #1	Kingwood, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Broadcast Track: 30 ideas in 60 minutes	Texas H, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Business Track: Debunking economic impact promises large and small	Meyerland, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Court records are filled with untold stories: A PACER deep dive	Texas D, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Energy & Environment Track: Covering climate change's winners and losers	Texas G, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Excel 1: Getting started with spreadsheets	River Oaks B, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Google Sheets: Scraping without coding	River Oaks C, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Immigration Track: Finding the story: Immigration (intro)	River Oaks A, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Local watchdog showcase	Texas C, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	O'Brien Fellowships: \$65,000 in support of nine-month investigative reporting projects	Montgomery B, Level 2
9 – 10 a.m.	Reinventing local TV news	Montgomery A, Level 2
9 – 10 a.m.	Solutions journalism + investigations	Briargrove, Level 3
10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Thursday #2	Kingwood, Level 3
10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	Broadcast Track: Visualizing your investigation	Texas H, Level 4
10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	Excel 2: Formulas & sorting	River Oaks B, Level 3
10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	Fast and furious investigations	Texas G, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Finding the story: Campaign finance	River Oaks C, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Finding, cultivating and protecting sources	Texas D, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	How to cover prosecutors	Briargrove, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	How to help your TV newsroom achieve a data journalism mindset	Montgomery A, Level 2
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Immigration Track: Finding the story: Immigration (advanced)	River Oaks A, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Management Track: How to launch a successful investigative unit	Texas C, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Technology & Tools Track: Doxxing for good: Tracing your online footprint before hackers can	Texas F, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Technology & Tools Track: Unlock hidden stories	Meyerland, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Voter registration story brainstorm	Montgomery B, Level 2

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11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	A Chat with Adam Symson	Montgomery A, Level 2
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Thursday #3	Kingwood, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Broadcast Track: The women	Texas H, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Data visualization and storytelling with Flourish	River Oaks C, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	DIY database: The joys and hazards of building it from scratch	River Oaks A, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Excel 3: Filtering & pivot tables	River Oaks B, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Move past the campaign: Use campaign finance documents and data to cover policy and governance	Texas G, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Navigating hate crime and white supremacy coverage	Texas F, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Reporting on recovery	Briargrove, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Social media sleuthing	Meyerland, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	The art of confrontation	Texas D, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Work Better Track: Reporting while parenting	Montgomery B, Level 2
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Year in international investigations	Texas C, Level 4
12:45 – 2 p.m.	Journalists of color in the newsroom meetup	Montgomery, Level 2
2 - 6 p.m.	Master class: Trump, the First Amendment, and media law for investigative journalists **pre-registered attendees only	David Mitzner, Level 4
2:30 - 6 p.m.	Digging into data for stories: A crash course in Excel (Thur & Fri) **pre-registered attendees only	River Oaks C, Level 3
2:30 - 6 p.m.	Master class: Seven deadly sins of the broadcast interview **pre-registered attendees only	Kingwood, Level 3
2:30 - 6 p.m.	Master class: Writing the narrative (Thursday) **pre-registered attendees only	Clear Lake, Level 3
2 - 5 p.m.	IRE Board of Directors meeting	Westchase, Level 3
2:30 - 4:45 p.m.	How to get and interpret police video footage	Texas C, Level 4
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Broadcast Track: Deep dive 1: Best of broadcast	Texas H, Level 4
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Diversity & Inclusion Track: Involving people from marginalized communities in your reporting	Texas F, Level 4
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Don't bore me: How to frame your investigation and tell a captivating narrative that gets noticed	Texas D, Level 4
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Educators & student networking	Montgomery, Level 2
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Energy & Environment Track: Covering the environment as an investigative target in the Trump era	Briargrove, Level 3
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Excel: Advanced pivot tables	River Oaks B, Level 3
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	How to build a collaborative investigation from scratch	Meyerland, Level 3
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Public records track: A guide to get the goods	Texas G, Level 4
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Python 101: The fundamentals	River Oaks A, Level 3
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Broadcast Track: From A to Z, soup to nuts, how DID you get that on the air?	Texas H, Level 4
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Business Track: Mining for gold with Uniform Commerical Code (UCC) filings	Texas F, Level 4
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Excel: Importing data	River Oaks B, Level 3
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Owning the local government beat: Finding meaningful, investigative stories in (seemingly) common places	Texas G, Level 4

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3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Python: Intro to data analysis using pandas	River Oaks A, Level 3
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Radio journalists meetup	Montgomery, Level 2
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Technology & Tools Track: Multimedia storytelling for watchdogs	Texas D, Level 4
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Track de tecnología y herramientas: Seguridad digital para periodistas (en español)	Meyerland, Level 3
3:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Work Better Track: How to organize your reporting (and your life)	Briargrove, Level 3
5 - 6 p.m.	Broadcast Track: Cold cases as investigations	Texas H, Level 4
5 - 6 p.m.	Covering prisons: Finding truth in the most guarded institutions in the justice system	Texas F, Level 4
5 - 6 p.m.	Cross-border investigations	Meyerland, Level 3
5 - 6 p.m.	Energy reporting: From gas pipelines to light switches	Briargrove, Level 3
5 - 6 p.m.	Excel CARwash: Cleaning dirty data	River Oaks B, Level 3
5 - 6 p.m.	Immigration Track: Covering immigration in the Trump era	Texas D, Level 4
5 - 6 p.m.	Python: Let's scrape a website	River Oaks A, Level 3
5 - 6 p.m.	The data sets every government reporter should have	Texas G, Level 4
5 - 6 p.m.	Under the Influence: Tracking lobbying and advocacy campaigns at the state level	Texas C, Level 4
5 - 6 p.m.	Women in journalism meetup	Montgomery, Level 2
6 - 7:30 p.m.	Welcome reception	Texas E, Level 4

Friday, June 14

Time	Session	Room
7:30 a.m 6:15 p.m.	IRE Conference registration (Friday)	Texas Foyer
7:30 a.m 6:15 p.m.	IRE Conference sales (Friday)	Texas Foyer
7:45 - 8:45 a.m.	IRE Mentorship networking program breakfast (Sponsored by George Washington University, School of Media and Public Affairs and Scripps Howard Foundation) **invitation-only event	Texas E, Level 4
9 a.m 6 p.m.	Interviewing your data with SQL **pre-registered attendees only	River Oaks B, Level 3
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Digging into data for stories (cont'd-Friday) *pre-registered attendees only	River Oaks C, Level 3
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Master Class: Identifying, verifying and reporting on disinformation **pre-registered attendees only	Clear Lake, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Friday #1	Kingwood, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Broadcast Track: Consumer investigations	Texas H, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Business Track: Detecting business fraud	Briargrove, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Business Track: Investigating charities and other nonprofits	David Mitzner, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Free legal resources for journalists	Meyerland, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	How to find the best investigative story ideas and pitch them successfully	Texas C, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	How to maximize the internship a guide for interns and for employers commons	Sugarland A, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Introducing the Public Accountability Project	Sugarland B, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Management Track: Making time for investigative work in a daily newsroom	Texas F, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Nail the interview: How to get sensitive or hard-to-reach sources to talk	Texas D, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Stats in R	River Oaks A, Level 3

Time	Session	Room
9 – 10 a.m.	Work Better Track: Real talk on investigative collaborations in small and medium markets	Texas G, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Friday #2	Kingwood, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Broadcast Track: The lawyers	Texas H, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Converting pdfs to data	River Oaks A, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Evolving the true crime podcast	Meyerland, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	How not to bungle sensitive abuse investigations	Briargrove, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Infiltrating government agencies	Texas G, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Investigative journalism for teens: Volunteering your skills in the classroom commons	Sugarland A, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Mindfulness meditation session to calm stress	Sugarland B, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	New investigative centers: The university model	David Mitzner, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Oh, the trouble you've seen: How to manage the stress and trauma of being a journalist	Texas F, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Public Records Track: Advanced techniques for getting documents from government agencies before you retire	Texas D, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Story idea blitz	Texas C, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Friday #3	Kingwood, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Broadcast Track: Holding them accountable	Texas H, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Business Track: Investigating tech companies in Silicon Valley and beyond	Texas C, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Diversity & Inclusion Track: Digging into discrimination: Best practices for investigating LGBTQ bias and bravery	Texas G, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Finding the story: Disaster data	River Oaks A, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Investigating sex crimes: Writing about trafficking, prostitution and rape	Meyerland, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Tap your audience as an investigative partner	Texas D, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Using data to track the opioid epidemic	Briargrove, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Using scientific testing without having your story look like a lab report	Sugarland A, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	What's the future of investigative journalism funding?	David Mitzner, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Work Better Track: Team writing without murdering each other	Texas F, Level 4
12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	International Luncheon (Sponsored by Global Investigative Journalism Network, Investigative Reporting Workshop at American University & Reuters) *invitation-only event	Texas E, Level 4
12:45 - 2 p.m.	Media lawyers Q&A	Meyerland, Level 3
2:30 - 6 p.m.	Intro to R **pre-registered attendees only	River Oaks C, Level 3
2:30 - 6 p.m.	Master class: The solo journalist in a digital/broadcast newsroom **pre-registered attendees only	Kingwood, Level 3
2:30 - 6 p.m.	Master class: Writing the narrative (Friday) **pre-registered attendees only	Sugarland, Level 3
2:30 - 5 p.m.	Mastering Google Sheets: Web scraping, running scripts and other tricks (Friday) **pre-registered attendees only	Clear Lake, Level 3
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Broadcast Track: Deep dive 2: Best of broadcast	Texas H, Level 4
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Broadcasting original reporting: How to put documents, data and original reporting into your audio story	Texas F, Level 4

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Saturday, June 15 Session

Time	Session	Room
8 a.m 6 p.m.	IRE Conference registration (Saturday)	Texas Foyer
8 a.m 6 p.m.	IRE Conference sales (Saturday)	Texas Foyer
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Data analysis with Python **pre-registered attendees only	River Oaks A, Level 3
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	<u>Digging into data for stories: A crash course in Excel (Sat & Sun) **pre-registered attendees only</u>	River Oaks C, Level 3
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Master class: Mastering the interview (print focus) **pre-registered attendees only	Clear Lake, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Saturday #1	Kingwood, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Broadcast Track: Juggling GA & investigative	Texas H, Level 4
9 - 10 a.m.	Business Track: Dig into companies with financial statement shortcuts	Meyerland, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Covering elections in an 'off' year	Texas G, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Easy, free dataviz tools	Texas C, Level 4
9 – 10 a.m.	Excel: Using string functions to manipulate data	River Oaks B, Level 3

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9 - 10 a.m.	Immigration Track: Covering immigration issues far from the border	Texas D, Level 4
9 - 10 a.m.	Patient medical bills as a reporting tool: Billing codes, benefit statements, medicare rates and chargemasters	Briargrove, Level 3
9 - 10 a.m.	Technology & Tools Track: Unpacking Al's influence in your community	David Mitzner, Level 4
9 - 10 a.m.	You just released a major investigation — Yay, it's done! Oh sh*t. Now what?	Texas F, Level 4
10:15 a.m 11:15 p.m.	Starting from scratch	Meyerland, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Backgrounding like a boss: Perfecting your 15-minute background check and why you should do it every time	Texas G, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Saturday #2	Kingwood, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Broadcast Track: Overcoming obstacles	Texas H, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Diversity & Inclusion Track: Native Americans and the criminal justice system	Briargrove, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Immigration Track: Using data to cover immigration	Texas F, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Lead from where you are	Texas D, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Storyboarding your investigation	Texas C, Level 4
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Using data to uncover corruption in public procurement	David Mitzner, Level 4
10 - 11 a.m.	Excel: Basic stats	River Oaks B, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Saturday #3	Kingwood, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Broadcast Track: The 10 most important lessons I've learned	Texas H, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Business Track: Make your business stories sing	Meyerland, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Business Track: Public documents, private companies	David Mitzner, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Changes in college sports and the NCAA	Briargrove, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Finding the story: Guns	River Oaks B, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Overcoming your fear of math	Texas G, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Public Records Track: No one uses email anymore	Texas F, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	The first hours of breaking news	Texas C, Level 4
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Using data and documents in your reporting	Texas D, Level 4
12:30 - 3 p.m.	IRE Awards Luncheon featuring Rick Hutzell as keynote speaker (co-sponsored by NBC News and NBC Owned Television Stations)	Houston Ballroom, Level 2
2:30 - 5:15 p.m.	Diversity & Inclusion Track: Battling bias	Clear Lake, Level 3
3 - 5:15 p.m.	Mastering Google Sheets: Web scraping, running scripts and other tricks (Saturday) **pre-registered attendees only	River Oaks A, Level 3
3 - 4 p.m.	Broadcast Show & Tell - Saturday #4	Kingwood, Level 3
3 - 4 p.m.	Broadcast Track: Deep dive 3: Best of broadcast	Texas H, Level 4
3 - 4 p.m.	Cleaning data with OpenRefine	River Oaks A, Level 3
3 - 4 p.m.	Driveway moments: The art of long-form audio narrative	Texas G, Level 4
3 - 4 p.m.	Management Track: Editing & bulletproofing the data story	Meyerland, Level 3
3 - 4 p.m.	Personal safety for reporters	Briargrove, Level 3
3 - 4 p.m.	Sourcing while female	Texas F, Level 4
3 - 4 p.m.	Technology & Tools Track: Debunking viral misinformation about elections: Lessons from Verificado	Texas C, Level 4

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3 - 4 p.m.	Technology & Tools Track: Research geyser	David Mitzner, Level 4
3 - 4 p.m.	Visualizing data with Tableau	River Oaks C, Level 3
3 - 4 p.m.	Workplace integrity: Critical thinking and courageous conversations	Texas D, Level 4
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Best practices for student-led investigations: For students, by students	Meyerland, Level 3
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Dirty money, European banks and Russian organized crime	David Mitzner, Level 4
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Diversity & Inclusion Track: Finding stories in undercovered communities	Briargrove, Level 3
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	<u>Diversity & Inclusion Track: How to retain journalists from underrepresented groups, including those of color</u>	Texas C, Level 4
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Excel for investigating business and finance	River Oaks C, Level 3
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Finding characters in data and documents	Texas D, Level 4
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Google MyMaps	River Oaks A, Level 3
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Management Track: Adapting and pivoting to new landscapes	Texas G, Level 4
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Policing the police	Texas F, Level 4
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Unearthing secrets: How to scrub any candidate or public official	Texas H, Level 4
5:30 - 6:15 p.m.	IRE Membership meeting	Texas C, Level 4
6:30 - 8 p.m.	Closing reception (Sponsored by Google News Initiative with support from Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press)	South Event Lawn

Sunday, June 16

Time	Session	Room
8:30 - 10:30 a.m.	IRE Conference sales (Sunday)	Texas Foyer
9 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Digging into data for stories (cont'd-Sunday) *pre-registered attendees only	River Oaks C, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Bulletproofing best practices	Briargrove, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Converting pdfs to data (repeat)	River Oaks A, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Excel 1: Getting started with spreadsheets (repeat)	River Oaks B, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Finding stories in professional discipline data	Meyerland, Level 3
9 – 10 a.m.	Using data journalism to unlock oil & gas industry secrets	Kingwood, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Energy & Environment Track: Investigating the aftermath of extreme weather events	Briargrove, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Excel 2: Formulas & sorting (repeat)	River Oaks B, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Google Sheets: Scraping without coding (repeat)	River Oaks A, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Management track: Directing high-stakes investigative projects	Kingwood, Level 3
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Under pressure: Real life in real time with breaking news	Meyerland, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Best practices for student-pro investigative collaborations	Kingwood, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Excel 3: Filtering & pivot tables (repeat)	River Oaks B, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Finding the story: Disaster data (repeat)	River Oaks A, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Public Records Track: Launching and managing large document and FOIA projects	Briargrove, Level 3
11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.	Successfully reporting on the military	Meyerland, Level 3