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Women and the Media

The Journal of Interdisciplinary Feminist Thought invites contributions for its next issue: "Women and the Media." We are seeking papers that trace both the positive and negative influences that the media has had on the expected behavior of women over the course of time. The media, whether in print, TV, radio or electronic sources, represents one of the most powerful influences on contemporary attitudes and thinking. We are especially interested in analyzing how stories about women are reported in the media and how some stories may reflect unconscious biases and prejudices toward women.

Papers reflecting the interests of all disciplines are welcome. Manuscripts should evidence original and current scholarship, be 20-25 pages in length, typed, and formatted according to the accepted method for the discipline. All submissions should include an abstract of 50 -100 words.

We encourage collaboration, and welcome scholarly works of joint authorship, or papers coauthored with student researchers

Possible topics include, but are not limited to the following:

- Women in Politics: Campaign coverage of women candidates
- Eating Disorders: How the Media portrays and manipulates images of the "Ideal Woman"
- "Bitch or Aggressive": Language differences in describing women in power
- Film and Video portrayals of women "archetypes"
- Historical overview of changes in media coverage of women over time
- Women at the Helm: What differences do women executives, editors and writers have on the media world?
- Women, the media and institutional change
- The absence of marginalized women's voices and experiences in the media

Submit all manuscripts, electronically, to co-editors: Dr. Carol Shelton (cshelton@ric.edu) **and** Dr. Virginia Walsh, R.S.M., (walshv@salve.edu)

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