

Knight Fellowship Questionnaire

Contact Name: _____

Contact Address: _____

Contact Telephone Number: _____

Introduction

The James M. Cox Jr. Center for International Mass Communication Training and Research at the University of Georgia (U.S.A.) is interviewing journalists and other professionals throughout the world. The purpose of the interviews is to learn about the consequences of the Knight International Press Fellowship Program, administered by the International Center for Journalists (ICFJ) in Washington, D.C. This interview project is conducted in collaboration with ICFJ and is funded by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation in Miami, FL. The Knight Foundation funds the Knight International Press Fellowship Program.

You have been selected for this interview because you have had contact with Knight Fellow(s).

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We would like you to answer some questions about your experiences as part of the Knight International Press Fellowship program. The interview should take about 10 minutes. Your responses will be kept confidential. The cover sheet will be removed once you have returned the questionnaire to us. Your responses will not be shown to your supervisors, the Knight Fellow, or anyone else! Your participation is voluntary.

We thank you in advance for your help!

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1. Please check the boxes that describe the kinds of contact you had with the Knight International Press Fellow(s). Check as many as apply to you.

- I attended a presentation given by the Knight Fellow.
- I attended a discussion group in which the Knight Fellow participated.
- I participated in class activities such as writing or editing led by the Knight Fellow.
- The Knight Fellow discussed my work with me individually.
- The Knight Fellow provided me information about additional training opportunities.
- The Knight Fellow helped me learn about job and career opportunities.
- The Knight Fellow went with me on assignments.
- The Knight Fellow and I had one-on-one conversations about journalism and related topics.
- The Knight Fellow provided materials or documents I have used.
- I interacted socially with the Knight Fellow.
- My contact was different. (Please describe the contact in the space below.)

2. In total, approximately how much time did you spend with the Knight Fellow(s)?

- One or two hours
- Half a day
- About a day
- Several days
- About a week
- More than one week

3. Did someone else require you participate or work with the Knight Fellow(s), or did you do this on your own?

- My participation was required by my boss or someone else.
- I chose to participate entirely on my own.
- My participate was required, but I also wanted to participate.

4. How much impact, if any, did the Knight Fellow(s) have on the following:

1= Great Deal 2=Some 3=Little 4=None 9=Don't know

A. Your career goals and ambitions.....	1	2	3	4	9
B. Your understanding of the basics of journalism.....	1	2	3	4	9
C. Your understanding of the audiences of the mass media.....	1	2	3	4	9
D. Your understanding of the economics of journalism.....	1	2	3	4	9
E. The way you think about news.....	1	2	3	4	9
F. Your understanding of the possible roles of the press in a democratic society.....	1	2	3	4	9
G. The ways you carry out your job.....	1	2	3	4	9
H. Your knowledge of tactics and strategies to use in carrying out your job.....	1	2	3	4	9
I. Your knowledge about how to work with other people.....	1	2	3	4	9

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5. In the space below, please provide specific examples of the impact of the Knight Fellow on you and your work. (If you want to provide us samples of work you have done that was influenced by the Knight Fellow, please attach them.)

6. It may not have been possible or even desirable for you to use some of the ideas the Knight Fellow(s) suggested. Please look over the list below and indicate if any of these explanations were true in your situation.

	1=Definitely True	2=Somewhat True	3=Not True	9=Don't Know
A. The ideas were not appropriate for my workplace.....	1	2	3	9
B. The ideas were not practical.....	1	2	3	9
C. I'm too busy.....	1	2	3	9
D. The suggestions didn't work.....	1	2	3	9
E. My boss was not open to these changes.....	1	2	3	9
F. The ideas won't work in my country.....	1	2	3	9
G. The economic situation in my country makes such change very difficult.....	1	2	3	9
H. The political situation makes such change very difficult.....	1	2	3	9

7. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the statements below.

	1= Strongly Agree	2=Agree	3=Neutral	4=Disagree	5=Strongly Disagree
The Knight Fellow(s).....					
A. Provided me with new ways of thinking about things.....	1	2	3	4	5
B. Helped with problems relevant to my needs.....	1	2	3	4	5
C. Worked with me to come up with solutions to problems.....	1	2	3	4	5
D. Was open to suggestions from me and others.....	1	2	3	4	5

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8. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the statements below.

1= Strongly Agree 2=Agree 3=Neutral 4=Disagree 5=Strongly Disagree

As a result of my interactions with the Knight Fellow(s).....

A. I have a wider range of skills to draw upon.....	1	2	3	4	5
B. I now think more about the needs of the audience.....	1	2	3	4	5
C. I now think differently about the role of journalism in society.....	1	2	3	4	5
D. I am more likely to strive for journalistic independence.....	1	2	3	4	5
E. I have a more positive attitude toward the United States.....	1	2	3	4	5
F. I now have a more positive attitude toward my own country.....	1	2	3	4	5
G. I now feel more committed to my career in journalism.....	1	2	3	4	5
H. I find it easier to do my job.....	1	2	3	4	5

9. Now we just need to ask a few questions about you! Please check the category below that best describes your current position.

- Editor
- Reporter
- Newsroom manager
- Staff in marketing, advertising or circulation
- Manager in marketing, advertising or circulation
- Media owner
- Professor/Teacher/Dean
- University student
- High school student
- Center director
- Journalism association leader/employee
- Other (Please specify: _____)

10. At the time of your first contact with the Knight Fellow(s), what was your position?

- Editor
- Reporter
- Newsroom manager
- Staff in marketing, advertising or circulation
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- Media owner
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- Other (Please specify: _____)

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11. In what year were you born?

12. How long have you worked as a communication professional? (If you have not worked in this capacity, please check that box.)

_____ (Years)

I've never worked as a communication professional.


13. How many years of schooling have you completed?

_____ years

14. Do you have formal training in journalism?

No

Yes

15.  IF YES, do you have a university journalism degree?

No

Yes

16. What is your gender?

Female

Male

Please write in the space below any additional comments you wish us to consider.

Thank you very much for your assistance!