

## **JOUR 5280 Advanced Video Journalism**

### **Camera Test**

This assignment will test your ability to follow the SWEFF checklist for setting up a camera and accessories.

The test will consist of 10 steps, which must be performed in the following order:

1. Set up the tripod to shoot an interview with someone who is sitting down — put the camera at eye level.
2. Level the head of the tripod
3. Mount the camera to the tripod, then attach the battery to the camera
4. Connect wireless mic and check sound to ensure proper audio levels
5. Test lighting gear and do a manual white balance
6. Check exposure and adjust manually
7. Set the focus manually
8. Frame a close-up shot
9. Break down the camera (disconnect mic, detach camera from tripod, put camera and mic back in case)
10. Collapse the tripod

I will watch as you perform the tasks and take notes. I may also ask to look at your camera LCD monitor to check your shot. Otherwise, I'll try to be quiet. You should be able to do all 10 things in 10-15 minutes.

The test is worth 20 possible points. You must score at least 14 points to pass the test. If you do not pass, you must retake the test until you do pass.