Title and Code of Course:
The Power of Storytelling:
Radio from Broadcast to Podcast

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Credit Point Value: 6
Number of Lessons per Week: 2
Type of Course: Seminar ☒
Lecture ☐
Method of Evaluation: Oral Examination ☐
In-Class Presentation ☐
Other ☒

Course Description:
Relying on English transcripts, we will listen to a selection of radio programs picked at the Prix Europa media festival in their original audio form, in the language they were broadcasted/podcasted, to analyze and discuss them. Based on this shared experience the following media skills will be examined in relation to radio documentaries: topic selection, editing principles, cutting and elements of effects. The course begins with the exploration of genres, describing programs created on a broadcast or podcast platform, then we delve into the basics of making radio documents.

Course Competion Criteria
Class participation: a maximum of 3 missed classes and students’ active participation in the discussions of the programs they listened to.
In the first semester, students will be asked to prepare their own program plans on the basis of the knowledge they acquired during the course. In the second semester, they are expected to realize their selected documentary topic, while they also learn the principles of responsible media representation.

Student Competences/Learning Objectives
The course aims to facilitate conscious media consumption by introducing a renascent media genre, radio. It helps students to understand different media representations of social conflicts, and to be able to produce the representations of their own stories.

Bibliography: