

Horne to Present Weeklong Examination of Hurricane Katrina

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Jed Horne, distinguished visiting lecturer in The University of Southern Mississippi College of Arts and Letters, will offer The Katrina Seminar, a weeklong examination of Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath, during the May 17-21 mini-session on the Hattiesburg campus.

Horne is the former metro editor of The (New Orleans) Times-Picayune, which garnered two Pulitzer Prizes for its coverage of Hurricane Katrina. He is also the author of the critically acclaimed "Breach of Faith: Hurricane Katrina and the Near Death of a Great American City."

"We're approaching the fifth anniversary of the storm (Aug. 29), and I think the seminar will have a lot of interest for our students and for other members of the public," said Dr. Denise von Herrmann, dean of the College of Arts and Letters. "Mr. Horne certainly brings an informed perspective to the seminar."

Horne plans to feature a number of guest speakers in the class, which will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 17 to 21. The guests will include storm surge expert Ivor van Heerden, WLOX-TV news director Dave Vincent, filmmaker Lolis Elie, photojournalist Ted Jackson and Reilly Morse of the Mississippi Center for Justice along with several other experts and municipal leaders.

Undergraduate students have the opportunity to take the seminar as an interdisciplinary course, IDS 490, Interdisciplinary Seminar, or as MCJ 480, Seminar in Journalism. Master's students can enroll in MCJ 580, Seminar in Journalism.

Members of the public who are interested in attending the seminar on a not-for-credit basis may do so for a \$200 fee. To enroll, contact the School of Mass Communication and Journalism at 601.266.4258.

More information about the May mini-session at Southern Miss is available at www.usm.edu/minisession. For additional information, contact Dr. Christopher Campbell, director of the Southern Miss School of Mass Communication and Journalism, at 601-266-4258 or christopher.campbell@usm.edu.

Jed Horne, distinguished visiting lecturer at The University of Southern Mississippi, will offer a mini-session course titled, The Katrina Seminar, May 17-21 on the Hattiesburg campus. This weeklong examination of Hurricane Katrina is open to undergraduate and graduate students, as well as the general public. (Submitted photo)

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