

# MEDIA STUDIES

## SUPER CURRICULUM ACTIVITIES

### WEBSITES:

- A Level Media Studies blog - really useful: <https://alevelmediaemilyh.weebly.com/>  
Media Studies: <https://media-studies.com/> Filmsite - all things film: <https://www.filmsite.org/>
- Mediaknowall: [http://www.mediaknowall.com/as\\_alevel/alevkeyconcepts/alevelkeycon.php?pagelD=audience](http://www.mediaknowall.com/as_alevel/alevkeyconcepts/alevelkeycon.php?pagelD=audience) David Gauntlett: <https://davidgauntlett.com/welcome/>

### BOOKS:

- Breaking the News: 500 Years of News in Britain by Jackie Harrison and Luke McKernan (British Library Publishing, 2022)
- Trust Me I'm Lying: Confessions of a Media Manipulator by Ryan Holliday (Profile Books, 2018)
- Social Warming: How Social Media Polarises Us All by Charles Arthur (Oneworld, 2022)
- YouTubers: How YouTube Shook Up TV and Created a New Generation of Stars by Chris Stokel-Walker (Canbury Press, 2019)
- Oxford University Press Very Short Introductions:
  - Advertising by Winston Fletcher (2010)
  - Film by Michael Wood (2012)
  - Postmodernism by Christopher Butler (2002)

### SPECIALIST MAGAZINES/ARTICLES/JOURNALS:

- Celebrity Studies - Routledge journal (some articles open access): <https://www.tandfonline.com/journals/rcel20>
- Empire Magazine (mainstream film): <https://www.empireonline.com/>
- Little White Lies magazine (mainstream and independent film): <https://lwlies.com/>

### PODCASTS:

- Critical Media Studies: <https://critical-media-studies.captivate.fm/>
- BBC Radio 4 - The Media Show: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00dv9hq>

### FILMS AND DOCUMENTARIES:

- The Social Network (2010)
- The Stuart Hall Project (2013)
- McLuhan's Wake (2002)
- The Post (2017)
- The Rise of the Murdoch Dynasty (BBC TV series, 2020)

### *YOUTUBE CHANNELS:*

- Mrs Fisher - YouTube topic summaries and revision:  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUKrxp4BcJrGLzmqAhCjASg>
- The Media Insider: <https://www.youtube.com/@TheMediaInsider>

### *MOOCS:*

- FutureLearn course - Culture in the Digital Age:  
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/culture-in-digital-age> (accessible with a free trial membership)
- FutureLearn/BFI course - How to Make a Short Film: An Introduction to Filmmaking (introductory level - will be helpful to students interested in incorporating an audiovisual element into their NEA work):  
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/make-a-short-film>
- FutureLearn/The University of Wollongong, Australia course - The Power of Podcasting for storytelling (again, potentially helpful for NEA preparation):  
<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/podcasting>
- EdX/The University of Hong Kong course - Making Sense of News:  
[https://www.edx.org/course/making-sense-of-news?index=product&objectID=course-d4839e77-83f4-4ef4-a01c-6f1139e8abfd&webview=false&campaign=Making+Sense+of+News&source=edX&product\\_category=course&placement\\_url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.edx.org%2Flearn%2Fjournalism](https://www.edx.org/course/making-sense-of-news?index=product&objectID=course-d4839e77-83f4-4ef4-a01c-6f1139e8abfd&webview=false&campaign=Making+Sense+of+News&source=edX&product_category=course&placement_url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.edx.org%2Flearn%2Fjournalism)
- EdX/Davison University course - The Story of Fake News:  
[https://www.edx.org/course/the-story-of-fake-news?index=product&objectID=course-60c44094-103f-400a-9f75-84e958df0819&webview=false&campaign=The+Story+of+Fake+News&source=edX&product\\_category=course&placement\\_url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.edx.org%2Flearn%2Fjournalism](https://www.edx.org/course/the-story-of-fake-news?index=product&objectID=course-60c44094-103f-400a-9f75-84e958df0819&webview=false&campaign=The+Story+of+Fake+News&source=edX&product_category=course&placement_url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.edx.org%2Flearn%2Fjournalism)

### *ONLINE SEMINARS/LECTURES:*

- TED talks on Media: <https://www.ted.com/topics/media>
- Stuart Hall lecture - Representation and the Media:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=84depWskwu0>

### *SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS:*

- Twitter: A Level Media: <https://twitter.com/alevelmedia?lang=en>
- Adweek - coverage of breaking news and trends in Media:  
<https://www.instagram.com/adweek/>
- The Media Show: <https://twitter.com/TheMediaShow>

### *PLACES TO VISIT:*

- MediaCity UK, Salford: <https://www.mediacityuk.co.uk/> FACT Liverpool:  
<https://www.fact.co.uk/>
- Birkenhead International Film Festival (runs every October)
- Local Clubs or Societies:
- Swan Movie Makers, Bebington: <https://swanmoviemakers.weebly.com/>

- Nordic Film Liverpool: <http://www.nordicfilmliverpool.co.uk/>
- Liverpool Filmmakers' Hangout:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/liverpoolfilmmakerscollective/>
- Challenges and Competitions:
- Student Journalism competitions/awards - a long list!:  
<https://www.journoresources.org.uk/young-student-journalism-awards-complete-list/>
- MediaMagazine production competition:  
<https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/competitions/mediamagazine-production-competition-2022-anything-goes-the-shortlist>