

Special Issue

Women's Voices in the Media

Message from the Guest Editor

Research from around the world has consistently shown that news coverage is dominated by the voices of men. Despite increases in the number of women working in journalism and sustained efforts to promote the awareness of this issue, a significant gender imbalance in the media persists. Certain women are particularly marginalized in the news. These include women of color, women with disabilities, and older women. Furthermore, the portrayal of women in news coverage is often problematic due to prevalent stereotyping, sexism, and/or sexualization. Inclusion in the news confers status and authority. And news coverage influences public policy and public opinion. If women's voices and perspectives are not included in these public conversations, they are silenced and disempowered. This Special Issue aims to encourage more attention being paid to this important yet under-researched area. It will explore the inclusion and portrayal of women in the media, with a particular focus on identifying solutions that encourage and support women to contribute to news coverage.

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