

Open Electives—Journalism /JNI

JNI OE 02: Insta Thrills: Food and Digital storytelling skills

One of the few things to happen online post the pandemic was the digital sensation that Dalgona coffee became and how it came to acquire an online life which made it easier for people to journal their days into neat little compartments where documenting food became a way of documenting time. On Instagram, the life of food writing and archiving seems to have inaugurated in readers and consumers a need to tell the stories of our food.

Texts: Jiayang Fan's Instagram; Food bloggers/vloggers; New Yorker Essays on food; Sylvia Plath's food diary

Activity: Use Twitter or Instagram to document everything you eat for a week. Follow and document other people who do.

JNI OE 04: Good Trips: Podcasting Skills for Travel and Exploration

If you like listening to podcasts, what exactly makes a podcast interesting? If the subject is travel, and the mode of contact is listening, what makes this exchange optimal?

How do podcasts offer a vital space in which our need for elsewhere can thrive? We will listen, script, and learn.

Listening Texts: The Atlas Obscura podcast, Women who Travel, Travel North East India with Upasana Kakati, Musafir Stories

Activity: Join us in documenting Bangalore in a tiny Spotify series across the semester.