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Shorenstein Center Announces Fellows for Spring 2011

CAMBRIDGE, MA — The Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy, located at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, is pleased to announce their Spring Fellows.

"We start the spring semester with, as usual, a very strong group of Fellows, ranging from experienced journalists — foreign and domestic — to a distinguished journalism educator," said Alex S. Jones, director of the Shorenstein Center.

Five Shorenstein Fellows will spend the semester researching and writing a paper, and interacting with students and members of the Harvard community.

- **Bob Calo** is a Senior Lecturer at the Graduate School of Journalism at UC Berkeley. He co-directs the video storytelling and reporting program there and is currently the executive editor of Richmond Confidential, one of three hyper-local news sites run by the school. Before joining the faculty at Berkeley in 2001, Calo was a producer at NBC News in New York. His project at the Shorenstein Center will look at cultural, political and demographic roots of audience disengagement and mistrust. The working title for his paper is "Disengaged: How Journalists Repel the American Audience and How Reporters Can Win Them Back."
- **Alexis Gelber** is a Goldsmith Fellow at the Shorenstein Center. She is a former editor of *Newsweek*, and supervised award-winning coverage of politics, social issues and international news as the magazine's national affairs editor, assistant managing editor and the managing editor of *Newsweek International*. As Director of Special Projects from 2001 to 2008, she created special issues and new entrepreneurial projects. In 2004 and 2008 Gelber edited *Newsweek's* special presidential election project. She is an editorial consultant based in Washington, DC and New York, and is also an adjunct professor at NYU's Arthur L. Carter Journalism Institute. Her research will focus on women politicians in the new media age of social networking and cable TV.
- **Wajahat S. Khan** reports for the English-based daily, *The Dawn*, as well as its monthly, *The Herald* in Pakistan. Khan has worked for the country's top networks — Geo, Dawn and Aaj — as a producer, editor, anchor and documentarian. He has covered Pakistan's interconnected frontlines of Kashmir and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas as an embedded reporter with the secretive Pak Military, and covered "Af-Pak" for India's largest media house, the Times Group. While at the Shorenstein Center, Khan will investigate the Pakistani media's shifting editorial stance on the War on Terror, its inherent and engineered structural/systemic biases, and the role of external groups like the military and the intelligence services in providing "optics" for coverage of the restive combat zones of the country.
- **Neil Lewis** is a Goldsmith Fellow at the Shorenstein Center. He was a correspondent with *The New York Times* covering the Justice Department, the State Department and a variety of other assignments, including presidential campaigns, Supreme Court nomination battles and Guantanamo until his retirement in 2009. Before joining *The Times*, he worked for Reuters news agency in Washington, London and Johannesburg. Mr. Lewis teaches media law at Duke Law School. His research will focus on the American Jewish community and Israel, exploring lobbies, loyalties and their influence on the press.

- **Sandra Rowe** is the Knight Fellow at the Shorenstein Center. Rowe was editor of *The Oregonian* in Portland for 16 years. She was executive editor and vice president of *The Virginian-Pilot* and *The Ledger-Star*. She was president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors in 1997-98. She is researching the local case for partnerships and collaboration in investigative reporting. Rowe's year-long fellowship is funded by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

The Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy is a Harvard research center dedicated to exploring the intersection of press, politics and public policy in theory and practice. The Center strives to bridge the gap between journalists and scholars and, increasingly, between them and the public. More information about the Center is available at www.shorensteincenter.org.