Journalism Ethics Quiz Faculty member: Dr. Ryan Thomas

- 1. True or false? Ethics and law are exactly the same.
 - a. True
 - b. False

2. As a journalist, what are important to keep in mind, alongside knowing your rights?

- a. Your colleagues.
- b. Your responsibilities.
- c. Your bank balance.
- d. None of the above.

3. What is a "true" ethical dilemma?

- a. Where there are no compelling options.
- b. Where there is only one compelling option.
- c. Where there are multiple compelling options.
- d. None of the above.

4. What are some of the different things we can prioritize in ethical decisionmaking?

- a. Outcomes.
- b. Moderation.
- c. Duties.
- d. All of the above.

5. Why is consideration of duties a particularly useful framework for ethical decision-making for journalists?

- a. Because it is easy to remember.
- b. Because of the role journalists play in a democratic society.
- c. Because it is always important to prioritize duties over outcomes.
- d. None of the above.

6. What is the first step of Meyers' nine-step process?

- a. Checking your gut.
- b. Consulting your colleagues.
- c. Having an open mind.
- d. None of the above.

7. Which of these is identified as a duty by the philosopher W. D. Ross?

- a. Respect for others.
- b. Self-improvement.
- c. Keeping promises.
- d. All of the above.

8. How might a journalist apply the duty of justice?

- a. By ensuring that their reporting is accurate and verifiable.
- b. By being a watchdog on government to ensure that it is not corrupt.
- c. By being committed to constantly improving their skills and knowledge.
- d. None of the above.
- 9. As you work through the various views and arguments in an ethical dilemma, what is particularly important?
 - a. Ignoring the advice of colleagues
 - b. Avoiding bias and self-interest
 - c. Being closed-minded
 - d. None of the above
- 10. True or false? Ethical decision-making is always confined to one particular case, without seeking to develop broader lessons.
 - a. True
 - b. False