



## Miami University of Ohio

# Oxford Observer

Department of Media, Journalism and Film

Oxford, Ohio

## Partnership

Students write for the university created news outlet that covers the greater community and produces about twelve stories and eight briefs per week under the guidance of a faculty editor.

### Lead faculty

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### Websites

[Oxford Observer](#)

## Collaborators

The program does not have collaborators as it operates as an in-house media outlet

## Impacts

The website produces about 12 stories and 8 briefs per week.

## Students

19,452 at Miami University

200 in the Journalism Department

## Faculty/staff

The editor of the Oxford Observer pushes the paper out to readers through social media and through email. Two faculty members are funded and supported by the university to lead the courses available to students, functioning as instructors as well as editors. Additionally, the university funds the upkeep of the website the Observer is hosted on. During breaks, faculty are paid through a grant from the Menard Family Center for Democracy.

## Funding sources

Miami University (upkeep of website, faculty who teach courses), Oxford Community Foundation (\$50,000), Menard Family Center for Democracy (pays faculty members during breaks)