



Events

DAVID DOMKE Communication, University of Washington

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3:30–5:30 pm
Communications 202

Graduate Student Workshop: Translating Academic Work for a Public Audience

Students Writing in Public (SWIP) is a collective of graduate students interested in publishing outside of academic media. SWIP provides a forum for the pursuit of individual and collaborative writing projects in public scholarship.

This month SWIP welcomes David Domke. In 2007, Domke launched his new book, *The God Strategy: How Religion Became A Political Weapon in America* (Oxford University Press, 2008, co-authored with former UW graduate student Kevin Coe). The book appeared alongside an opinion piece in *USA Today* and a story on CNN, reflecting Domke's synergy of academic scholarship and public engagement. In this workshop, Domke will share some of the lessons he has learned about how academics might write for—and learn from—the broader public. These lessons include how to address the questions and concerns of a new audience and how to balance public scholarship with a more “traditional” academic career. The workshop will also discuss writing exercises and strategies relevant to public scholarship.

Space is limited. To sign up for this workshop, email swip@u.washington.edu. Include a brief statement about your interest in public scholarship and any questions you would like Professor Domke to address.

David Domke is Professor of Communication and head of the Journalism Program at the University of Washington. His work explores the relationship between U.S. politics, journalism, and public opinion. He is also the author of *God Willing? Political Fundamentalism in the White House, the "War on Terror," and the Echoing Press* (2004). Domke received the UW's Distinguished Teaching Award in 2002 and was named the Washington State Professor of the Year in 2006.

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