

2025 Hardt-Nickachos Lecture in Peace Studies

Reporting Gaza



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Israel’s bombardment and siege of Gaza have set grim records, from the percentage of children killed to high casualties among journalists, doctors and aid workers. Yet, Western mainstream media have failed to convey the scale of the horror, often minimizing it or manufacturing consent for genocide. This talk examines how media coverage has relied on racist tropes, dehumanized Palestinians and abandoned basic journalism rules. It also highlights Gaza’s unprecedented devastation and the heroic work of Palestinian journalists documenting Israel’s attacks, risking their lives to serve as the world’s eyes and ears.



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