

Mary Mares-Awe

Mary Mares-Awe is an American journalist and university journalism instructor. She has worked for several well-known news organizations, including Tribune Broadcasting, Fox News, CBS News, King World Entertainment, Infinity Broadcasting and NBC radio. Mary has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science, with a concentration in International Relations, from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a Master of Arts Degree in Communication, with a concentration in Mass Media, also from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

She got her start in journalism working as a reporter for the City News Bureau, the well-respected newswire service in Chicago. After gaining experience in radio as a writer, producer and reporter, she segued into television news. She has worked as a news producer and assignment editor for CBS, Fox News Chicago as well as Fox News Channel, the nationwide cable network, and for CLTV the 24-hour cable news service of Tribune Broadcasting. Mary has covered local as well as national political elections and interviewed numerous well-known newsmakers including several heads of state, sports figures, and well know members of the entertainment industry. Ms. Mares-Awe has also written and produced multimedia corporate projects including for Pfizer Pharmaceutical, The Bank of America Chicago Marathon, and the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.

Internationally, she has produced multimedia content for Deutsche Welle Radio and the American Forces Network (AFN). In 2010-2011 She was awarded a Fulbright fellowship to Macedonia where she lectured graduate courses in strategic communication and undergraduate courses in broadcast journalism at Ss. Cyril & Methodius University in Skopje. While in Macedonia she consulted on various multimedia projects and conducted strategic communication workshops and seminars for NGOs. She is a free-lance multimedia content producer and lectures courses in television and mass communication at the College of DuPage in Illinois. She is the current Vice President and Government Relations Director for the Chicago Chapter of the Fulbright Association.