

### Major Requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism (Journalism Concentration)

#### Mathematics (1 course – 3-4 hours)

- MATH 2043 Survey of Calculus
- MATH 2053 Finite Mathematics
- MATH 2183 Mathematical Reasoning
- STAT 2303 Principles of Statistics
- or a higher-level math course

#### World Language up to Intermediate I (2003) level or higher (hours vary)

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#### World Literature (1 course – 3 hours)

Choose one of the following:

- WLIT 1113 World Literature I
- WLIT 1123 World Literature II
- Any literature course numbered 3000 or higher
- Any world language literature course numbered 3000 or higher

#### Philosophy (1 course – 3 hours)

Choose one of the following:

- PHIL 2003 Intro to Philosophy
- PHIL 2103 Intro to Ethics
- Any 3000+ level PHIL course.  
*(PHIL 3103, Ethics & the Professions is recommended)*

#### Political Science (2 courses – 6 hours)

- PLSC 2003 American National Government
- One additional PLSC course (any level)  
*PLSC 2813, PLSC 3233, or PLSC 4233 are recommended*
- PLSC \_\_\_\_\_

#### Communication (1 courses – 3 hours)

- COMM 1313 Public Speaking

#### Economics (1-2 courses – 3-6 hours)

- ECON 2143 Basic Economics: Theory & Practice  
**OR**
- ECON 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics **and**
- ECON 2023 Principles of Microeconomics

#### History 3000+ Level Elective (1 course – 3 hours)

- HIST \_\_\_\_\_ (3000+)

#### Cultural/Diversity Requirement (1 course – 3 hours)

- JOUR/AAST 3263 African Americans in Film
- JOUR/AAST 4923 History of the Black Press
- JOUR/AAST 3273 African Americans in Documentary Film
- JOUR 405V Specialized Journalism Seminar

*Approved topics include: "Portrayals of Asian Americans in US Media," "Representation of Indian Americans in US Media," "Minorities in the Media," & "Writing for Racially Diverse Audiences"*

**OR** other cultural/diversity course approved by the School of Journalism & Strategic Media.

**Note:** A cultural/diversity approved JOUR course can count as one of the Journalism Electives.

**Grammar, Spelling, & Punctuation (GSP) Requirement:** All majors and minors must complete the Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation (GSP) requirement as a prerequisite or co-requisite to JOUR 1033 Media Writing by completing one of these two options: 1) Pass JOUR 1003 Journalistic Writing Skills with a grade of C or better; or 2) Pass JOUR 1100 Grammar Spelling Punctuation Requirement with a Satisfactory (S) grade by scoring a 75% or better on the GSP test that is administered through the class. Students who do not complete both the GSP requirement and JOUR 1033 with a C or better cannot enroll in any courses for which JOUR 1033 is a prerequisite. The GSP test is only administered a certain number of times each semester. Students must request a GSP test time a minimum of two weeks before they plan to take the test. There is no guarantee that GSP testing slots will be open when desired, so students must schedule well in advance.

#### Journalism Writing Requirement

- Satisfied upon successful completion of JOUR 4981 with a grade of "C" or better.

#### Journalism Core (6 courses – 16 hours)

- JOUR 1023 Media and Society
- JOUR 1033 Media Writing
- JOUR 3633 Media Law (60 hours completed)
- JOUR 4333 Ethics in Journalism (60 hours completed)
- JOUR 4981 Journalism Writing Requirement

*Journalism Digital Requirement:*

- JOUR 2053 Multimedia Journalism

**Note:** JOUR 2013 is a pre- or co-requisite.

#### Journalism Concentration Requirements (7 courses – 21 hours)

- JOUR 2013 News Reporting I
- JOUR 3013 Editing
- JOUR 3123 Enterprise Journalism

#### In-Depth Reporting Requirement

Choose two of the following:

- JOUR 3023 News Reporting II
- JOUR 3163 Sports Journalism
- JOUR 4043 Government & the Media
- JOUR 4073 Social Media & Journalism
- JOUR 4083 Data Journalism
- JOUR 4093 Business Journalism
- JOUR 4503 Magazine Writing

#### Visual Literacy & Technology Requirement

Choose two of the following:

- JOUR 2032/2031L Broadcast News Reporting I & Lab
- JOUR 2063 Media Graphics & Technology
- JOUR 2332/2331L Photojournalism I & Lab
- JOUR 405V Specialized Journalism Seminar

*Approved topics include: "Advanced Reporting & Data Analysis," "Digital Content Strategy," "Digital First," & "Videography."*

- JOUR 4033 Advanced Radio News Reporting & Podcasting
- JOUR 4313 Literature of Journalism
- JOUR 4863 Television News Reporting I

**OR** Other Visual Literacy & Technology courses as approved by the School of Journalism & Strategic Media.