

JOURNALISM MINOR

Banner Code: JNL

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Journalism provides a cross-platform foundation with a focus on reporting, research techniques and writing style unique to online, print, broadcast, social media and database journalism.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor and students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00. For policies governing all minors, see AP.5.3.4 Minors.

This minor is not available to communication majors pursuing a concentration in journalism.

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 18

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

Core Courses

COMM 303	Writing across the Media	3
COMM 351	News Writing and Reporting	3
or COMM 352	News Editing: Print and Beyond	
COMM 361	Online Journalism	3
or COMM 453	Multimedia Journalism	
COMM 475	Journalism Law	3
Total Credits		12

Electives

Select two from the following: 6

COMM 203	Introduction to Journalism
COMM 208	Introduction to Media Production
COMM 351	News Writing and Reporting ¹
COMM 352	News Editing: Print and Beyond ¹
COMM 353	Broadcast Journalism
COMM 361	Online Journalism ¹
COMM 370	Feature Writing
COMM 371	Sports Writing and Reporting
COMM 373	Business and Economic Journalism
COMM 374	Political Journalism

COMM 387	Special Topics in Journalism	
COMM 450	Internship in Communication (take for 3 credits) ²	
COMM 453	Multimedia Journalism ¹	
COMM 454	Free Speech and Ethics (Mason Core)	
COMM 455	History of Journalism	
Total Credits		6

¹ Only if not taken as a required course.

² When relevant, may be taken as elective with prior written approval of the director of the minor.