

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND HUMAN SCIENCES
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION (BACOM)
MAJOR in MULTIMEDIA JOURNALISM (MJ)
CHECKSHEET FOR STUDENTS GRADUATING IN CALENDAR YEAR 2019
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

The major consists of the following requirements, totaling 120 hours necessary for graduation:

I. COMM Foundation & Development	22 hours	III. CLE requirements	36 hours
II. MJ Major requirements	<u>24 hours</u>	IV. Minor + Electives	<u>38 hours</u>
Subtotal:	46 hours	Total:	120 hours

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (I-II)

Listed below are the in-major requirements for the Multimedia Journalism Major. Majors share 22 hours of common courses in COMM (Core Degree Requirements) and include other courses specific to the major. See reverse for other requirements and "progress to degree" criteria.

I. FOUNDATION & DEVELOPMENT (22 HOURS)

Core Degree Requirements -- Required courses across all COMM majors:

- ___ COMM 1004 First Semester Experience in Communication (1)
- ___ COMM 1014 Introduction to Communication Studies (3)
- ___ COMM 1015 Communication Skills I (3)
- ___ COMM 1016 Communication Skills II (3)

Note: Alternative to 1015-16 for transfer students entering the major after freshman year:

- ___ COMM 2004 Public Speaking (3) ___ COMM elective (3)
- ___ COMM 2024 Media Writing (3) Pre: 1014
- ___ COMM 2034 Visual Media (3) Pre: 1014
- ___ COMM 2084 Media and Society (3)
- ___ COMM 2124 Intro to Communication Research (3) Pre: 1014, (1016 or ENGL 1106)

II. MAJOR-SPECIFIC COURSES (24 HOURS)

Required 4 courses:

- ___ COMM 3154 Multimedia Reporting (3) Pre: 2024, 2034
- ___ COMM 3174 Advanced Multimedia Reporting (3) Pre: 3154
- ___ COMM 4024 Communication Law (3) Pre: sr. standing
- ___ COMM 4154 Digital Newsroom (3) Pre: 3174

Select 4 courses from the following:

- ___ COMM 1114 Introduction to Media Production Technology (3)
- ___ COMM 3114 Video Production: Studio (3) Pre: 2034
- ___ COMM 3314 Sports Journalism (3) Pre: 2024, 2034
- ___ COMM 4014 Media Effects (3) Pre: sr. standing
- ___ COMM 4044 International Communication (3) Pre: sr. standing
- ___ COMM 4114 Photojournalism (3), Pre 2034, jr. standing
- ___ COMM 4144 Magazine Writing (3) Pre: 2024, jr. standing
- ___ COMM 4254 Topics in Media Writing (3) Pre: sr. standing
- ___ COMM 4334 Communication Ethics (3) Pre: sr. standing
- ___ COMM 4264 Social Media Theory and Practice (3) Pre: 2034
- ___ COMM 4374 New Communications Technology (3) Pre: 2084 or 4014
- ___ COMM 4974 Independent Study (Internship) (1-19)

Total COMM hours: 46

Prerequisites: Some courses listed on this checksheet have prerequisites. Be sure to consult the University Catalog and/or check with your advisor.

III. UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM FOR LIBERAL EDUCATION (CLE)

Although courses taken in the CLE may also fulfill major or minor requirements, COMM majors are encouraged to broaden their education by sampling courses from many disciplines.

Area 1	Writing and Discourse Select 2 courses from CLE	(6 hours)	(3)_____	(3)_____
Area 2	Ideas, Cultural Traditions, and Values Select 2 courses from CLE	(6 hours)	(3)_____	(3)_____
Area 3	Society and Human Behavior Select 2 courses from CLE	(6 hours)	(3)_____	(3)_____
Area 4	Scientific Reasoning and Discovery Select 2 courses from CLE	(6 hours)	(3)_____	(3)_____
Area 5	Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning Select 2 courses from CLE	(6 hours)	(3)_____	(3)_____
Area 6	Creativity and Aesthetic Experience Select 1 3-credit course from CLE	(3 hours)	(3)_____	
Area 7	Critical issues in a Global Context Select 1 course from CLE	(3 hours)	(3)_____	

CLE hours: 36

IV. MINOR + ELECTIVES

In addition to Major and CLE requirements, students must complete the following to reach 120 hours for graduation:

1. **Minor, cognate or double major** -- Beyond studies in communication, students must build content knowledge in another area of focus by completing a minor or cognate (minimum 18 hours) or double major (varies by major). Students should not take COMM courses as part of this requirement.
2. **Free electives** -- Once students complete a minor or cognate, they still have 20 hours they will use toward graduation. Students might consider education abroad, an internship, a field study, undergraduate research, independent study, or other non-required CLE or foreign language courses.

Minor and elective hours: 38

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Minimum of 120 semester hours from the following categories:

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| I. COMM Foundation & Development | III. Curriculum for Liberal Education |
| II. MJ Major requirements | IV. Minor + Electives |

Total hours for graduation: 120

2. Minimum of 46 hours in COMM
Maximum 58 COMM hours; COMM courses beyond 58 hours will not count toward graduation.
3. Overall GPA of 2.0; COMM GPA 2.0, based on all COMM courses the student has completed.
4. Courses taken in major to fulfill graduation requirements must be graded A-F (not pass/fail).
5. COMM courses taken for a minor may NOT be counted toward major requirements.
6. Completion of foreign language requirement, which can be met in one of three ways:
 - 3 years of single foreign language in high school OR
 - 2 years of a single language in high school plus 1106 or equivalent in college OR
 - 1105-1106 or equivalent in college (This credit must be in addition to the 120 credits for graduation.)

PROGRESS TOWARD DEGREE

A student will be certified as making satisfactory progress toward a degree by meeting these requirements:

- Completion 2124 no later than the 72nd hour.
- Overall GPA -- Students who fall below 2.0 will follow university policies for probation and subsequent suspension if the GPA is not raised during the probation period.
- COMM GPA -- Students who fall below 2.0 in COMM will have one semester to regain the required GPA standards. All COMM courses are included in this calculation. A student who fails to make satisfactory progress toward degree after that semester will be blocked from continuing in MJ.