

Journalism

A major or minor in Journalism is designed to help students know how to use public print and/or broadcast communication media.

The curricular structure of the Journalism program is listed below for students entering the program. The major consists of two tracks: Print and Broadcasting. Each track has separate requirements and students must choose one track. Students must complete an applied capstone course.

Major Requirements

Major: Journalism

Degree Type: B.A. or B.S.

Required Degree Credits to Graduate: 122

Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Degree Requirements

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree – The completion of a minor program of study, a second major, or a second degree is required.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree – Second year language proficiency at college level required.

General Education Requirements

First Year Experience (F):

UNIV 189	Skills For Academic Success (Students transferring in 24 or more credits do not need to take UNIV 189.)	1
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Communication (C):

ENGL 110	College Composition I	3
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ENGL 120	College Composition II	3
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One course Upper Level Writing. Select one of the following:		3
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ENGL 320	Business and Professional Writing
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ENGL 321	Writing in the Technical Professions
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ENGL 323	Creative Writing
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ENGL 324	Writing in the Sciences
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ENGL 325	Writing in the Health Professions
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ENGL 357	Visual Culture and Language
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ENGL 358	Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences
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ENGL 459	Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal
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COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
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Quantitative Reasoning (R): Select from current general education list		3
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Science & Technology (S):

A one-credit lab must be taken as a co-requisite with a general education science/technology course unless the course includes an embedded lab experience equivalent to a one-credit course. Select from current general education list.		10
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Humanities & Fine Arts (A): Select from current general education list		6
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Social & Behavioral Sciences (B):		6
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Courses needed to fulfill this category will be completed as part of the pre-communication requirements.

Wellness (W): Select from current general education list		2
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Cultural Diversity (D):

COMM 216	Intercultural Communication	3
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Global Perspectives (G): Select from current general education list

Total Credits		40
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Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences College Requirements

An additional 9 credits are required by the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences for all Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degree programs of study, except the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, the Bachelor of Music degree, Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree, and the Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree:

Code	Title	Credits
AH&SS College Requirements		

Courses used to satisfy any general education requirement cannot be used to also count toward the AH&SS College Requirements. A minimum of three credits is required in each of the 3 following areas for a total of 9 credits. Choose only those courses with the prefixes listed for each area. A course with the WGS prefix can only be used in one area.

Area One: Humanities	3
ARB, ENGL, FREN, GERM, HIST, HUM, PHIL, RELS, SPAN, or WGS	
Area Two: Social Sciences	3
ANTH, CJ, COMM, EMGT, POLS, SOC, or WGS	
Area Three: Fine Arts	3
ARCH, ART, ENVD, LA, MUSC, or THEA	
Total Credits	9

Major requirements

General Education Requirements	40
AHSS College Requirements	9
Pre-Communication Requirements	

Students must complete 21 credits of selected courses with a grade of 'A' or 'B' to become a communication major. These courses may be repeated only once for this major.

ENGL 120	College Composition II	3
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
COMM 112	Understanding Media and Social Change	3
COMM 114	Human Communication	3
COMM 212	Interpersonal Communication	3
COMM 216	Intercultural Communication	3
Select one of the following:		3
CJ 201	Introduction to Criminal Justice	
POLS 110	Introduction to Political Science	
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology	
SOC 110	Introduction to Sociology	

Professional Major - 36 credits

Core:		
COMM 200	Introduction to Media Writing *	3
COMM 301	Rhetorical Traditions	3
or COMM 321	Introduction to Communication Theory	
COMM 310	Advanced Media Writing	3
COMM 320	Communication Analysis *	3
COMM 431	Communication Ethics and Law	3
COMM 496	Field Experience	3
Choose one of the following tracks:		9
Print Track:		
COMM 313	Editorial Processes	3
COMM 330	Photography for the Media	3
COMM 465	Convergence Media	3
Broadcasting Track:		
COMM 245	Principles of Broadcast Production	3
COMM 442	Digital Media and Society	3
COMM 445	Advanced Broadcast Production (Capstone)	3
Major Electives:		9
COMM 245	Principles of Broadcast Production	
COMM 260	Introduction to Web Design	
COMM 313	Editorial Processes	
COMM 330	Photography for the Media	
COMM 347	Television On-Air Performance	
COMM 349	Television Studio Production	

COMM 362	Principles of Design For Print	
COMM 421	History of Journalism	
COMM 445	Advanced Broadcast Production	
COMM 450	Issues in Communication	
COMM 465	Convergence Media	

Degree Requirements: Potential of 28 credits to reach 122 **28**

Total Credits **122**

* A grade of B or better is required in COMM 200: Introduction to Media Writing and COMM 320: Communication Analysis.

NOTE: No more than 6 credits from this communication major may be applied to any minor in the Department of Communication.

Minor Requirements

Journalism Minor

Minor Requirements

Required Credits: 21

Required Courses

COMM 112	Understanding Media and Social Change	3
COMM 200	Introduction to Media Writing	3
COMM 245	Principles of Broadcast Production	3
or COMM 310	Advanced Media Writing	

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COMM 245	Principles of Broadcast Production	
COMM 260	Introduction to Web Design	
COMM 310	Advanced Media Writing	
COMM 313	Editorial Processes (Pre-req. COMM 200)	
COMM 330	Photography for the Media	
COMM 347	Television On-Air Performance	
COMM 349	Television Studio Production	
COMM 362	Principles of Design For Print	
COMM 421	History of Journalism	
COMM 445	Advanced Broadcast Production	
COMM 465	Convergence Media	

Total Credits **21**

Minor Requirements and Notes

- Students must earn a minimum GPA of 2.75 in courses applied to the minor.
- No more than 6 credits from this communication minor may be applied to any major in the Department of Communication.
- A minimum of 9 credits must be taken at NDSU.