



# PRINT JOURNALISM

W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications curriculum guides augment your 2012-2013 Undergraduate Catalog. Use them to help plan each semester of your program. The guides:

- offer a semester-by-semester plan for your program,
- outline your general education, your school and your major requirements,
- include reminders about minors and graduation checks, and
- summarize your graduation requirements.

## A suggested semester-by-semester plan

The following plan is a suggested model for progress through the print journalism program. It may be beneficial to take courses in different time frames, but watch particularly the sequence of JMC requirements. Plan course selections so that critical thinking, multicultural, international and writing intensive requirements are included.

### FALL

#### Semester 1 (15 hours)

FYS—Freshman Seminar **OR** MTH 121 (CT)  
 JMC 101—Media Literacy  
 CMM 103—Fundamentals of Speech  
 ENG 101—English Composition I  
 ART 112/MUS 142/MUS 210/THE 112—Select one

#### Semester 3 (16 hours)

JMC 201—News Writing I  
 JMC 241—Graphics of Communication  
 ENG 201—English Composition II  
 Global Component (Modern Language 101)  
 Physical/Natural Science (4 hours)

#### Semester 5 (15 hours)

JMC 305—Copy Editing  
 JMC elective 300/400 level  
 SOJMC Social Science/Humanities 300/400 level  
 Global Component (Modern Language 203 or International)  
 Minor\_\_\_\_\_

**Complete a graduation check**

#### Semester 7 (15 hours)

JMC 430—Magazine Article Writing\*  
 300/400 non JMC elective  
 Social Science (see list on back) and International if option 3  
 Minor or non JMC elective 300/400 level \_\_\_\_\_  
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\* Offered fall terms only

### SPRING

#### Semester 2 (15 hours)

FYS—Freshman Seminar **OR** MTH 121 (CT)  
 JMC 102—Information Gathering  
 SOJMC Social Science/Humanities (see list on back)  
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 CT Core I Social Science (see list on back)

#### Semester 4 (16 hours)

JMC 301—News Reporting II  
 JMC 360—Digital Imaging for JMC  
 Core II Humanities—Literature  
 Global Component (Modern Language 102)  
 Physical/Natural Science or Meteorology (4 hours)

**Declare a minor**

#### Semester 6 (18 hours)

JMC 302—Advanced Editing and Design\*\*  
 JMC 402—Law of Mass Communication  
 Literature  
 Global Component (Modern Language 204 or International)  
 Minor 300/400 level\_\_\_\_\_  
 JMC 490/470—Internship/practicum (*Recommended summer before senior year*)

#### Semester 8 (12 hours)

JMC 414—Reporting Public Affairs\*\*  
 JMC 440—Mass Communications Ethics (Capstone)  
 Minor or non JMC elective 300/400 level\_\_\_\_\_  
 Non JMC elective\_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Offered spring terms only

### REMINDERS

- Declare a minor before completion of your 58<sup>th</sup> credit hour

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 122 credit hours
- 80 credit hours of non-journalism courses—65 of the 80 hours must be in liberal arts and sciences
- 42 hours of the 122 must be in 300/400 level courses
- earn a “C” or better in English 201 and in all required journalism and mass communications courses

- Request a graduation check at your 80<sup>th</sup> credit hour

- earn an overall and a JMC gpa of 2.25 or better
- 6 hours of writing intensive
- 3 hours of multicultural or international
- complete a minor
- complete the JMC writing requirement
- submit a graduation portfolio

## Requirements Checklist—minimum 122 hours required

(All courses in the checklist are included in the semester-by-semester plan.)

### General Education Requirements

#### CORE I — 9 hours

##### First Year Seminar (3 hours)

##### 100/200 level CT (6 hours)

MTH 121 = 3 hours of CT.

Select a second CT course from social sciences/humanities that meets both Core and SOJMC requirements.

#### CORE II — 25 hours (100- and 200 levels)

Select courses to ensure 6 hours of writing intensive credits and 3 hours of multicultural or international credits.

#### Composition (6 hours)

English 101 and 201 **OR** English 201H (honors)  
ACT scores of less than 18 (SAT 440), first take ENG 099  
ACT scores of 18-27 take ENG 101  
ACT scores of 28-33 take ENG 201H  
ACT scores of 34-36 receive automatic English credit

#### Communication Studies 103 (3 hours)

The requirement may be waived by the Communication Studies Department if high school speech was taken and if the student passes the appropriate exam. **(CMM 103 does not count toward the JMC social sciences requirement.)**

#### Mathematics 121 or above (3 hours)

Math ACT of 12-16 (SAT 250-390) first take MTH 098  
Math ACT of 17-18 (SAT 400-450) first take MTH 099

#### Physical or Natural Science (4 hours)

Select one course from:  
Biology 104, 105, 120, 121, 228, 250  
Chemistry 211 & 217, 212 & 218  
Geology 110 & 210L, 150 & 150L, 200 & 210 L  
Integrated Science 200, 201, 202, 205, 208, 209, 211  
Integrated Science and Technology 111, 211, 224  
Physics 101 & 101L, 201 & 202, 203 & 204, 211 & 202, 212 & 204, 213 & 204, 214  
Physical Science 109 & 109L, 110 & 110L

#### Social Sciences (3 hours)

Select one course from ANT 201\*, CMM 213, 255, CJ 200, 211, 221, 231, 241 GEO 100\*, 203, 206, 222, HST 101\*, 102\*, 103\*, 125, 200, 205, 206, 208\*, 219, 220, 221, 223, 230\*, 231\*, 250, 260, 265, PSC 104, 105, 202, 207, 209, 211, 233, PSY 201, 223, SOC 200\*

#### Humanities (3 hours)

Select one course from CL 210\*, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 250, CMM 205, 239, 240, ENG 200\*, 203, 205\*, 206, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 215, 220, 225, 231, 235, 236, 240, 241, 242, FRN 240, GER, 240, HON 200, JPN 240, PHL 200, 201, 250, RST 205, 206, 220, 225, 250.

(\* satisfies Core I CT and Core II requirements)

#### Fine Arts (3 hours)

Art 112 or Music 142 or Music 210 or Theater 112

### Journalism and Mass Communications Requirements (SOJMC)

#### Literature (6 hours) (must have a “literature” attribute)

English literature  
Classics 210, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236 or 237  
Religious Studies 220, 225, 304, 310, 351  
Any 300/400 level literature course in French, German, Latin, or Spanish

(Core II literature can be applied to the SOJMC requirement.)

#### Global Component (3-12 hours)

*Option 1-* Successful completion of a sequence of modern language ending with 204: Arabic, French, German, Japanese, Latin, or Spanish (or Greek 302). Up to 3 semesters of the language requirement may be waived for language taken in high school.  
*Option 2-* Successful completion of a sequence of 6 hours of one modern language AND 6 hours of approved study abroad.  
*Option 3-* Successful completion of a sequence of 6 hours of one modern language AND 9 hours of approved international courses.

#### Physical/Natural Science or Meteorology (4 hours)

Any additional physical or natural science or Geography 101 or 230 or 350

#### Minor (12-18 hours)

See catalog for departmental specifications regarding courses and credit hours.

### Journalism and Mass Communications Core (18 hrs.)

JMC 101—Media Literacy  
JMC 102—Information Gathering and Research  
JMC 402—Law of Mass Communications  
JMC 440—Mass Communications Ethics  
JMC 470 or 490—Professional Practicum or Internship  
JMC Elective—any additional 300 or 400 level JMC course

### Print Journalism Major (24 JMC hours)

JMC 201—News Writing I  
JMC 241—Graphics of Communication  
JMC 301—News Reporting II  
JMC 302—Advanced Editing and Design  
JMC 305—Copy Editing  
JMC 360—Digital Imaging  
JMC 414—Reporting Public Affairs  
JMC 430—Magazine Article Writing

### SOJMC Social Sciences/Humanities (15 hours)

One course each from five of the following disciplines:  
Anthropology, Classics, Communications Studies (except 103), Criminal Justice, Geography (except 101, 110, 111, 201, 230, 350, 360, 414, 415, 418, 420, 421 and 425-496), History, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Religious Studies, Sociology and Women’s Studies 101.

