

School of Contemporary Arts

Communication Arts: Journalism

Recommended Four-Year Plan (Fall 2023)

This recommended four-year plan is designed to provide a blueprint for students to complete their degrees within four years. These plans are the recommended sequences of courses. Students must meet with their Major Advisor to develop a more individualized plan to complete their degree. This plan assumes that no developmental courses are required. If developmental courses are needed, students may have additional requirements to fulfill which are not listed in the plan and degree completion may take longer. Three writing intensive courses are required in the major and/or school core (examples are marked by WI designation in the plan below). Consult with your advisor for specific details.

NOTE: This recommended Four-Year Plan is applicable to students admitted into the major during the 2023-2024 academic year.

First Year							
Fall Semester	HRS	✓	Spring Semester	HRS	✓		
Gen Ed: INTD 101 - First Year Seminar	4		Gen Ed: Scientific Reasoning	4			
Gen Ed: CRWT 102 - Critical Reading & Writing II	4		AIID 201: Studies of Arts and Humanities	4			
Gen Ed: SOSC 110 - Social Science Inquiry	4		COMM 204-Media Literacy	4			
Gen Ed: (QR) Quantitative Reasoning MATH 104 - Math for the Modern World (Recommended)	4		COMM 221-Speech for Communication Arts	4			
Career Pathways: PATH CA1 - Career Pathways Module 1	Degr ee Rqm t.						
Total:	16		Total:	16			

Second Year							
Gen Ed: Global Awareness	4		Elective or Minor	4			
Gen Ed: Historical Perspectives (Recommended: COMM 227- The Press: History's First Draft)	4		Elective or Minor	4			
Gen Ed Distribution Cat. (Recommended: Culture and Creativity COMM 234-Intercultural Communication – WI) (One Distribution Category course must be outside of CA)	4		Gen Ed Gen Ed Distribution Cat. (Recommended: Value and Ethics Cat: COMM 231 Media Issues and Ethics) OR Systems, Sustainability, and Society (One Distribution Category course must be outside of CA)	4			
COMM 208-Newswriting W I	4		Major: Journalism Concentration Elective (Category 7)	4			

Career Pathways: PATH CA2 - Career Pathways Module 2	Degr ee Rqm t.	Career Pathways: PATH CA3 - Career Pathways Module 3	Degr ee Rqm t.	
Total:	16	Total:	16	

Third								
Year								
Fall Semester	HRS	✓	Spring Semester	HRS	✓			
Major: History/Theory/Criticism Course Level 300	4		Major: COMM 324-Reporting & Producing Online News WI	4				
Major: COMM 371- Media Ethics in the Digital Age (If you didn't take COMM 231) OR select one of the followings: (Cat 3) COMM 311-Community Journalism WI or COMM 333-Producing the Newspaper WI	4		Major: Writing (Category 3) Select one: COMM 304 - WRITING FOR PUBLICATION - WI or COMM 226 COPYEDITING or COMM 303 - WRITING FOR SOCIAL MEDIA	4				
Major: Writing/Production course Level 300 (Cat. 3)-Select one: COMM 329 - PHOTOJOURNALISM or COMM 306 - VIDEOJOURNALISM or COMM 365 - NEWS REPORTING: BROADCAST AND NEW MEDIA or COMM 368 PRODUCING DIGITAL SPORTS or COMM 370 - MOBILE JOURNALISM WI (HRS 4) or TOPICS COMM390-03 ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT REPORTING	4		Elective or minor	4				
Elective	4		Major: CNTP 388: Co-Op/Internship in Contemporary Arts	4				
Total:	16		Total:	16				

Fourth							
Year							
Fall Semester	HRS	✓	Spring Semester	HRS	✓		
Major: Capstone Portfolio Course: Senior Project Journalism	4		Major: Elective in the major	4			

Major: Writing/Production Course Level 300 (Cat. 3)-Select one: COMM 329 - PHOTOJOURNALISM or COMM 306 - VIDEOJOURNALISM or COMM 365 - NEWS REPORTING: BROADCAST AND NEW MEDIA or COMM 368 PRODUCING DIGITAL SPORTS or COMM 370 - MOBILE JOURNALISM WI (HRS 4) or TOPICS COMM390-03 ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT REPORTING	4	Major: Writing/Production course Level 300 (Cat. 3)-Select one: COMM 329 - PHOTOJOURNALISM or COMM 306 - VIDEOJOURNALISM or COMM 365 - NEWS REPORTING: BROADCAST AND NEW MEDIA or COMM 368 PRODUCING DIGITAL SPORTS or COMM 370 - MOBILE JOURNALISM WI (HRS 4) or TOPICS COMM390-03 ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT REPORTING	4	
School Core: CA Upper Level Interdisciplinary Course	4	Elective or minor	4	
Elective or minor	4	Elective or minor	4	
Total:	16	Total:	16	

Total Credits Required: 128 credits **GPA:** 2.0