

*School of Arts & Sciences*  
**Three-Year Graduation Guarantee**

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**Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Media**  
**Recommended Program Plan beginning Fall 2014 (even year)**  
*(Subject to change depending on credits transferred in by student)*

**Journalism and Media Program Plan Coordinator:** David Swartzlander

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**Prior to Year #1**

9 Credits (minimum) – Evaluated during creation of program plan.

**Year #1**

**Fall – 18 Credits**

LAR 101 – Liberal Arts Seminar (3)  
JOU 105 – Introduction to Journalism and Media (3)  
JOU/ENG 113 – Basic News Writing and Reporting (3)  
FAK – Fundamental Area of Knowledge – Core Requirement (3)  
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JOU 236 – Audio Production (3)

**Spring – 17 Credits**

JOU 135 – Broadcast Journalism Writing (3)  
JOU 238 – Basic Video Production (3)  
FAK – Fundamental Area of Knowledge – Core Requirement (3)  
General Elective (3)  
General Elective (3)  
General Elective (2)

**Summer after Year #1**

6 Credits – Approved with guidance of faculty advisor

**Year #2**

**Fall – 18 Credits**

LAR 202 – Liberal Arts Seminar (3)  
JOU – Journalism and Media Elective (3)  
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FAK – Fundamental Area of Knowledge – Core Requirement (3)  
General Elective (3)  
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**Spring – 17 Credits**

JOU 353 – Contemporary Issues (3)  
JOU 360 – Multiplatform Journalism (3)  
FAK – Fundamental Area of Knowledge – Core Requirement (3)  
General Elective (3)  
General Elective (3)  
General Elective (2)  
Complete a minimum of 1 credit hour selected  
from ATV 131, 131, 133 or JOU 295. (This can be done any time)

**Summer after Year #2**

6 Credits – Approved with guidance of faculty advisor

**Year #3**

**Fall – 17 Credits**

LAR 303 – Liberal Arts Seminar (3)  
JOU 445 – Legal and Ethical Issues (3)  
JOU 421\* – Journalism Internship (3)  
FAK – Fundamental Area of Knowledge – Core Requirement (3)  
Journalism Elective (3)  
General Elective (2)

**Spring – 15 Credits**

JOU 495 – Capstone Seminar and Workshop (3)  
EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING – Core Requirement - (3)  
FAK – Fundamental Area of Knowledge – Core Requirement (3)  
General Elective (3)  
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\*JOU421 – The internship requirement can be fulfilled during any semester, including the summer, after the first year of study.

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**IMPORTANT:**

1. Students are required to transfer in 9 credits for 3-year guarantee eligibility. These credits have the potential to alter program plan slightly but careful planning is required to maintain the Journalism and Media course schedule. If a student transfers more than 9 credits to start, it can either affect the student's semester or summer loads in the 3-year program plan.
2. Students are required to earn 123 credits for graduation. The above plan shows 9 credits transferred in prior to enrollment, 12 credits during summers after years 1 and 2, plus the total of 102 credits earned during fall and spring semesters.
3. The Undergraduate Core requires 3 LAR courses, 7 FAK courses, and 1 experiential learning course. These have been met in the above plan.
4. Students should consider incorporating a minor (usually at least 18 credits) or a second major into their programs. The Journalism and Media major allows for flexibility with General Electives to be replaced by minor or major program coursework.