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

Communication (C):

ENGL 110 College Composition I 3
ENGL 120 College Composition II 3

One course Upper Level Writing. Select one of the following: 3

ENGL 320 Business and Professional Writing
ENGL 321 Writing in the Technical Professions
ENGL 323 Creative Writing
ENGL 324 Writing in the Sciences
ENGL 325 Writing in the Health Professions
ENGL 357 Visual Culture and Language
ENGL 358 Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences
ENGL 459 Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal
COMM 110 Fundamentals of Public Speaking 3

Quantitative Reasoning (R): Select from current general education list 3

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

Humanities & Fine Arts (A): Select from current general education list 6

Social & Behavioral Sciences (B):

Courses needed to fulfill this category will be completed as part of the pre-communication requirements. 6

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

Cultural Diversity (D):

COMM 216 Intercultural Communication 3

Global Perspectives (G): Select from current general education list

Total Credits 40

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:

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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**

ARB, ENGL, FREN, GERM, HIST, HUM, PHIL, RELS, SPAN, or WGS

**Area Two: Social Sciences**

ANTH, CJ, COMM, EMGT, POLS, SOC, or WGS

**Area Three: Fine Arts**

ARCH, ART, ENVD, LA, MUSC, or THEA

**Total Credits**

9

**Major requirements**

**General Education Requirements**

**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:

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**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:**

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**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
North Dakota State University

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

**Total Credits:** 122

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**

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**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.