

MASS COMMUNICATION & JOURNALISM MAJOR

Broadcast Journalism Option, B.A. (120 Units)

Valid for Catalog Years: 2020/2021 to Present

Freshman		Sophomore		Junior		Senior	
Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
Completion of A1 with C or better by end of first semester	Achieve Fundamental Skills and Knowledge	Completion of MCJ 2 with C or better by end of 3 rd semester	Complete all lower level major core and lower GE	Meet w/ major faculty advisor re: electives and career goals		Complete all major core courses	Complete specialized courses contributing to career goal
GE Area A1 (3) Oral Communication COMM 3, 7 OR 8 <i>*Must pass with a C or better</i>	GE Area A3 (3) Critical Thinking <i>*Must pass with a C or better</i>	GE Area B2/B3 (3-4) Life Sciences BIOL 1A, 10, 11 or 12 Lecture Lab	GE Area C 1 or C2 (3-4) Arts or Humanities	GE Area IB (3) Physical Universe and its Life Forms <i>GEOG 115 for Broadcast</i> <i>*Meteorology Cert</i>	GE Area IC (3) Arts and Humanities	GE Area ID (3) Social, Political, & Economic Institutions	LAS/Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>
GE Area A2 (3) Written Communication ENGL 5B or 10 <i>*Must pass with a C or better</i>	GE Area B1/B3 (3-4) Physical Sciences Lecture Lab	GE Area D1 (3) American History HIST 11 or 12	GE Area D2 (3) American Government PLSI 2 or 102	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i> <i>*SPAN 117 for Spanish Media Cert</i>	M/I (3) Multicultural International courses	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>
GE Area B4 (3-4) Quantitative Reasoning <i>*Must pass with a C or better</i>	GE Area C 1 (3-4) Arts	GE Area E (3) Social Science	MCJ 124 (3) Broadcast News Writing [MCJ 2 or instructor permission]	MCJ 121 News Video Storytelling [instructor permission]	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>
GE Area D3 (3) Social Science MCJ 1 <i>*Double counts as GE and MCJ elective</i>	GE Area C2 (3-4) Humanities	MCJ 14 (3) Multimedia (mobile) Journalism	MCJ 15 (3) Filmmaking	MCJ 102W (3) Reporting [MCJ 2] <i>*UDWS Requirement</i> <i>Must pass with a C or better</i>	MCJ 164 (3) Research	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>	Elective (3) <i>*Minor, certificate, double option</i>
Elective (3) <i>*Minor or double option</i>	MCJ 2 (3) Media Writing	MCJ Pick one 17, 123 125, 129 [MCJ 2]	MCJ 40 (3) Intro to PR/Adv	MCJ 126 (3) Media Performance [instructor permission]	MCJ 171 (3) Media Law & Ethics	MCJ 199 (4) [MCJ 2, 121, 124, 126]	Recommended MCJ Electives MCJ 199 (4), 191, 190, 125, 129, 107, 108, 109
15-17 units	15-17 units	15-17 units	15-16 units	15-16 units	15-16 units	13-16 units	13-16 units
						Total Required: 120 units	

FOOTNOTES:

Prerequisites/Co-requisites: Other restrictions may apply. Please see your course catalog for detailed prerequisite/co-requisite requirements.

Grade Requirements: MCJ majors are not permitted to enroll for CR/NC grading in MCJ courses applied to the major, except for courses that require such grading. A grade of C or better in each MCJ course is required.

General Education: Students may use GE course offered by the MCJ Department to satisfy the GE requirements for MCJ majors. MCJ courses which may be used for GE are MCJ 1, 9, 175, and 178. MCJ 176 and 179 may be used to satisfy the Multicultural/International course requirement.

Electives: Students must earn a minimum of 120 units total to graduate. The number of required elective units may vary, depending on the number of units earned from major and GE courses. Journalism students are encouraged to pursue a minor elsewhere at Fresno State or a certificate to develop their reporting skills and expertise in a specific area. Information on minors and certificates is available from the student's faculty advisor and on the MCJ website at <https://www.fresnostate.edu/artshum/mcj/advising/index.html>

Upper Division Writing Skills requirement (UDWS): All undergraduate students must demonstrate competency in writing skills by obtaining a C or better in an approved upper division writing course, identified by the letter W or by passing the Upper Division Writing Exam (UDWE). Broadcast and Print Journalism majors must pass MCJ 102W, which satisfies the UDWS requirement.

Substitutions: If substitutions/exceptions/waivers are made for any major courses that also meet GE and/or the Multicultural/International graduation requirement, the student is responsible for completing additional courses to satisfy the respective areas (GE and/or M/I). This also includes the upper division writing requirement.

Legend
COURSE TITLE (Units) GE
Subject Category
[Pre-Requisite]
<i>*Notes</i>

	GE	min 49 units
	Major	37 units
	Electives	34 units