

## Minimum required: 120 semester credit hours

### Admission Requirements

1. Any student admitted to Texas State University with an overall GPA of at least a 2.25 and a "C" or higher in MC 1301 will automatically be admitted to their selected major in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication. If a student does not meet these requirements upon admission, they will be temporarily classified as a pre-major in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication. As soon as the student meets any missing requirements, they will be admitted to their selected major in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

### General Requirements

1. The general education core curriculum courses are listed in the degree plan below along with the statewide component code number. See the General Education Core Curriculum (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-education-core-curriculum/>) section of this catalog for the Texas State requirements and options in the core curriculum, including Honors courses.
2. All students seeking B.S. or B.A. degrees within the School of Journalism and Mass Communication must complete ENG 1310, ENG 1320 and COMM 1310 or their equivalent courses to meet degree requirements. Most students will meet these requirements through their general education core curriculum.
3. In addition to the general education core curriculum, this major requires three hours of English literature, three hours of math/science/computer science courses and a minor.
4. Students must select a minor from the approved list of Undergraduate Minors (<http://www.mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/minors/>).
5. For transfer students, 12 semester credit hours (7 additional hour may also be acceptable at Texas State) may be transferred from a Texas public institution of higher education for the Communication Field of Study Sub-Area Journalism/Mass Communication and be applied to the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Journalism at Texas State University. More information about the Field of Study (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-policies/texas-legislative-requirements/>) is available in the Academic Policies section of this catalog. The transferable Texas Common Course Number (TCCN) is listed below the Texas State University course number in the following course list.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Competency Area 1 choose 3 hours from the following: 3</b>		
MC 1301	Introduction to Mass Communication	
TCCN: COMM 1307		
<b>Competency Area 2 choose 3 hours from the following: 3</b>		
MC 1313	Media Writing	
TCCN: COMM 2311		
<b>Competency Area 3 choose 3 hours from the following: 3</b>		
MC ELNA		
TCCN: COMM 1316		
MC ELNA		

TCCN: COMM 1336	
MC ELNA	
TCCN: COMM 2303	
MC ELNA	
TCCN: COMM 2315	
MC ELNA	
TCCN: COMM 2324	
MC ELNA	
TCCN: COMM 2332	
<b>Competency Area 4 choose 3 hours from the following: 3</b>	
MC ELNA	
TCCN: COMM 1335	
MC ELNA	
TCCN: COMM 2300	
MC ELNA	
TCCN: COMM 2302	
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>12</b>

6. All students in this degree program must earn a "C" or better in each of three core courses in Mass Communication, which include:

Code	Title	Hours
MC 1301	Introduction to Mass Communication	3
MC 4301	Media Law and Ethics	3
MC 4381	Fundamentals of Digital and Online Media	3

7. All students in this degree program must earn a "C" or better in all prerequisite courses, MC 4337 and in MC 3312 or MC 4348 or MC 4386 or MC 4387.

### Course Requirements

	First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	Freshman
ENG 1310 (Communication Component Code 010 [TCCN ENGL 1301])	3	ENG 1320 (Communication Component Code 010 [TCCN ENGL 1302])	3
POSI 2310 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070 [TCCN GOVT 2306])	3	POSI 2320 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070 [TCCN GOVT 2305])	3
COMM 1310 (Component Area Option Code 090/091 [TCCN SPCH 1311])	3	MC 4381	3
MC 1301 (TCCN COMM 1307)	3	ART 2313, DAN 2313, MU 2313, or TH 2313 (Creative Arts Component Code 050 [TCCN HUMA 1315])	3
US 1100	1	Social and Behavioral Sciences Component Code 080	3
Mathematics Component Code 020 <sup>1</sup>	3		
	<b>16</b>		<b>15</b>

		<b>Sophomore</b>	
First Semester Hours		Second Semester Hours	
MC 1313 (TCCN COMM 2311)	3	MC 3383	3
Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030	3	ENG Literature (Component Area Option Code 090/094) [TCCN ENGL 2322, 2323, 2332, 2333, 2327 or 2328]	3
PHIL 1305 or 1320 (Language, Philosophy, and Culture Component Code 040 [TCCN PHIL 1301 or 2306])	3	American History Component Code 060	3
MC Elective	3	Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030	3
American History Component Code 060	3	SOCI 3307	3
<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>	
		<b>Junior</b>	
First Semester Hours		Second Semester Hours	
MC 3321	3	Computer Science, Logic, Mathematics or Science <sup>1</sup>	3
MC 4323 or 4324	3	MC 4337	3
ENG Literature [TCCN ENGL 2322, 2323, 2332, 2333, 2327 or 2328]	3	MC Advanced Elective	3
Elective	3	Minor	6
Minor	3		
<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>	
		<b>Senior</b>	
First Semester Hours		Second Semester Hours	
MC 4301	3	MC 4386, 4387, 3312, or 4348	3
MC Advanced Elective	3	MC Advanced Elective	3
Minor	6	Electives	7
Media Performance	1	Minor	3
<b>13</b>		<b>16</b>	

**Total Hours: 120**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Media Performance</b>		
Select 1 of the following:		
MC 2111	Media Practicum	
MC 3100	Grammar for Media Professionals	
MC 3111	Drone Bootcamp	
MC 3112	Social Media Analytics Platforms	
MC 3113	3D Drone Modeling	
MC 3114	Career Exploration: Destination America	
MC 3115	Digital Media Tools and Skills	
MC 3116	Digital Media Innovation Concepts	
MC 3117	Freelancing for Media Professionals	
MC 3118	Careers in Media	
MC 3119	Fundamentals of Layout and Design	
MC 3120	Editing and Enhancing Digital Imagery	

MC 3121	TV News Production
MC 3122	Search Engine Optimization Fundamentals
MC 4130	Internship

<sup>1</sup> Any mathematics course from the general education core curriculum Mathematics Component may be chosen except MATH 1316.