

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 Advertising/Public Relations and be applied to the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Public Relations 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
Competency Area 1 choose 9 hours from the following:		
MC 1301	Introduction to Mass Communication	9
TCCN: COMM 1307		
MC 3343	Introduction to Public Relations	9
TCCN: COMM 2330		
MC 3367	Advertising	9
TCCN: COMM 2327		
MC ELNA		9
TCCN: COMM 2300		
MC ELNA		9
TCCN: COMM 2301		

Competency Area 2 choose 3 hours from the following:		3
MC 1313	Media Writing	3
TCCN: COMM 2311		
MC 3306	Writing for the Electronic Media	3
TCCN: COMM 2339		
MC 3311	Video Production	3
TCCN: COMM 1336		
MC 3321	News Writing and Reporting I	3
TCCN: COMM 2315		
MC 3383	Editing and Managing Content	3
TCCN: COMM 2305		
MC 4312	Photojournalism	3
TCCN: COMM 1318		
MC ELNA		3
TCCN: COMM 1319		
MC ELNA		3
TCCN: COMM 1337		
MC ELNA		3
TCCN: COMM 2328		
MC ELNA		3
TCCN: COMM 2329		
MC ELNA		3
TCCN: COMM 2332		

Total Hours 12

6. All students in this degree program must earn a "C" or higher in each of four 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 higher in all prerequisite courses and in the following major courses:

Code	Title	Hours
MC 3343	Introduction to Public Relations	3
MC 3313	Foundations of Public Relations Writing	3
MC 3314	Social Media for Strategic Communication	3
MC 3360	Public Relations Research	3
MC 4313	Advanced Writing for Public Relations	3
MC 4320	Public Relations Campaigns	3

Course Requirements

Freshman	Hours
COMM 1310 (Component Area Option Code 090/091)	3
ENG 1310 (Communication Component Code 010)	3
ENG 1320 (Communication Component Code 010)	3
Mathematics Component Code 020 ¹	3
US 1100	1

POSI 2310 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070)	3
POSI 2320 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070)	3
MC 1301	3
MC 4381	3
ART 2313, DAN 2313, MU 2313, or TH 2313 (Creative Arts Component Code 050)	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences Component Code 080	3

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Sophomore

Hours

ENG Literature (Component Area Option Code 090/094)	3
PHIL 1305 or 1320 (Language, Philosophy, and Culture Component Code 040)	3
MC 3343	3
MC 3313	3
Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030	6
MC 4329	3
American History Component Code 060	6
SOCI 3307	3

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Junior

Hours

ENG Literature	3
Computer Science, Logic, Mathematics or Science ¹	3
MC 3314	3
MC 3360	3
MC 4313	3
Minor	9
Select six hours from the following:	6
MC 4330	
MC 4331	
MC 4336I	
MC 4357	

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Senior

Hours

MC 4320	3
MC 4301	3
MC Elective	3
Select one of the following:	1
MC 2111	
MC 3100	
MC 3111	
MC 3112	
MC 3113	
MC 3114	
MC 3115	
MC 3116	

MC 3117	
MC 3118	
MC 3119	
MC 3120	
MC 3121	
MC 3122	
MC 4130	
Minor	9
Electives	10
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Total Hours: 120

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