

# **B.A.** in Journalism

## **Overview**

**Degree Requirements** 

## **Description**

The Department of Journalism provides a solid foundation of reporting, writing, editing, intellectual training, and vision necessary for today's journalism. Degree candidates must complete an emphasis in either news-editorial journalism or in broadcast journalism. Students may also choose to further specialize in magazine service journalism or in public relations.

## Minimum Total Credit Hours: 124 General Education Requirements

See the 'General Education/Core Curriculum' for the College of Liberal Arts.

## **Course Requirements**

A major in journalism for the B.A. degree requires 36 semester hours of journalism courses, including a departmental core: Jour 101, 102, 301, 371, and 575. Students must complete either an emphasis in news- editorial journalism or in broadcast journalism, plus additional specialization or elective courses in journalism to satisfy the 36 hour requirement. Journalism majors may petition the department chair to take a maximum of 44 semester hours of journalism courses. All journalism majors must take Pol 101 and three semester hours in a "method of inquiry" course selected from Math 115, Phil 103, Pol 251, or Psy 202, or three hours in a modern language at the 300 level (in which the primary language of instruction is not English).

### Other Academic Requirements

Students must take a minimum of 80 hours in courses outside the major, with no fewer than 65 hours in the liberal arts and sciences.

A minimum grade of C is required in all Jour courses for students pursuing a major or minor in journalism. A student may not enroll in a Jour course until a minimum grade of C has been obtained in prerequisite courses.

#### **Specializations**

- Sequence Journalism Broadcast
  - Emphasis Public Relations Journalism
- Sequence Journalism News
  - Emphasis Magazine Service Journalism
  - Emphasis Public Relations Journalism

