SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM & NEW MEDIA

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Admission Policies

Students wishing to enter the school must meet all requirements for general admission to the university.

Academic Regulations

Program Completion Requirements

Total Hours Required - At least 124 semester hours with passing grades must be completed for the school degrees. A minimum grade of C is required in all Jour and IMC courses. The School will accept 9 transfer credits from another institution, but only those courses not required by the major. Advanced Work Requirement - At least one-third of the hours applied toward a degree must be at the 300, 400 or 500 level. For example, a student qualifying for a degree with 124 semester hours must show at least 42 hours of work at the 300 level or above. Total Grade Points - A student must attain an average of at least 2.00 grade points for all ABCDF-graded credit hours attempted. Z- and P- graded credit hours are not included in this calculation. Thus, a student qualifying for a degree with 118 ABCDF-graded hours and 6 Z- graded hours would need 236 grade points to meet the requirement, whereas the same student would need 248 grade points if all 124 hours were ABCDF-graded. Minor Degree Requirement - Electives or work applied toward a minor must be taken outside the journalism school and applied toward completing a journalism degree. A minor in business administration is built in to the degree for students pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Integrated Marketing Communications. Degree Application - Each senior must apply for a degree by returning a completed Degree Application Form to the dean's office two semesters before the semester in which the student expects to graduate. The dean's office sets the application deadlines and notifies students of their specified deadlines by letter, e-mail, and the university online notification system. This deadline will allow a student time to make any schedule changes required to complete all degree requirements and should guard against the disappointment of having graduation delayed. After obtaining the form from the dean's office, students list the courses they plan to submit for graduation and then take the form to a faculty advisor for certification that all degree requirements will be or have been met. Students then returns the form to the dean's office for final certification that the courses listed on the application qualify them for graduation. The degree application should not be confused with the diploma application, which is filed only after the degree application has been approved by the dean. The diploma application is an online form that must be filed during the semester of anticipated graduation.

Graduate Studies

See the degree requirements under Programs.