



This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding "critical courses" for this particular Program of Study.

| Critical | Course Subject and Title | Credit Hours | Min. Grade ¹ | Major GPA ² | Code | Prerequisites | Notes |
|--|---|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Semester One (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition | 3 | C | | CC-CMW | | |
| | STAT 110 Intro. to Statistical Reasoning or STAT 112 Statistics and the Media or STAT 201 Elementary Statistics or STAT 205 Elem. Statistics for the Bio. & Life Sci. or STAT 206 Elem. Statistics for Business | 3 | | | CC-ARP | See Bulletin Listing | |
| | JOUR 101 Media & Society | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| ! | JOUR 204 Principles of Journalism | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | UNIV 101 The Student in the University or Carolina Core Requirement ³ | 3 | | | PR/CC | | |
| Semester Two (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition | 3 | C | | CC-CMW CC-INF | C or better in ENGL 101 | |
| | Carolina Core ARP | 3 | | | CC-ARP | | |
| | JOUR 303 Law & Ethics of Mass Communications or JOUR 304 Internet and Social Media Law | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | JOUR 291 Writing for Mass Communications | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | Foreign language ⁴ or other Carolina Core Requirement ³ | 3 | | | CC-GFL | | |
| Semester Three (15-16 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | JOUR Major Elective ⁵ / Concentration Course ⁶ | 3 | C | | MR | See Bulletin listing. | |
| | JOUR Major Elective ⁵ / Concentration Course ⁶ | 3 | C | | MR | See Bulletin listing. | |
| | Social Science ⁷ | 3 | | | CR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ³ | 3-4 | | | CC | | |
| | Foreign language ⁴ or Carolina Core Requirement ³ | 3 | | | CR/CC | | |
| Semester Four (15-17 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | JOUR Major Elective ⁵ | 3 | C | | MR | See Bulletin listing. | |
| | JOUR Major Elective ⁵ (Professional Practice) | 3 | C | | MR | See Bulletin listing. | |
| | Carolina Core GHS Requirement ³ (HIST 111, 112, 201, 214, or SOST 202) | 3 | | | CC-GHS | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ³ | 3-4 | | | CC | | |
| | Foreign language ⁴ or other Carolina Core Requirement ³ | 3-4 | | | CC-GFL | | |
| Semester Five (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| ! | JOUR 361 Introductory Reporting & Writing | 3 | C | | MR | C or better in JOUR 291 | |
| | ECON 224 Introduction to Economics or MKTG 350 Principles of Marketing or MGMT 371 Principles of Management | 3 | | | CR | | |
| | History ⁸ | 3 | | | CR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ³ | 3 | | | CC | | |
| | Elective ⁹ | 3 | | | PR | | |
| Semester Six (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | JOUR 471 Intermediate Reporting & Production | 3 | C | | MR | JOUR 204, 303, & 361 | |
| | Social or Behavioral Science ¹⁰ | 3 | | | CR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ³ or Elective ⁹ | 3 | | | CC/PR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ³ or Elective ⁹ | 3 | | | CC/PR | | |
| | Elective ⁹ | 3 | | | PR | | |
| Semester Seven (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | JOUR 485 Broadcast Journalism Capstone | 12 | C | | MR/CC-INT | C or better in JOUR 471 | |
| | Elective ⁹ | 3 | | | PR | | |
| Semester Eight (14 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | JOUR Major Elective ⁵ / Concentration Course ⁶ | 3 | C | | MR | See Bulletin listing. | |
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| | Elective ⁹ | 3 | | | PR | | |
| | Elective ⁹ | 3 | | | PR | | |
| | Elective ⁹ | 2 | | | PR | | |

Graduation Requirements Summary

| Minimum Total Hours | Minimum Major Requirements Hours | College & Program Requirements Hours | Carolina Core Hours | Minimum Institutional GPA |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 120 | 48 | 32-41 | 31-40 | 2.5 |

- Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA.
- Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
- The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
- Students in the Broadcast Journalism major are required to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language equivalent to the 122 course through course credit or the corresponding foreign language placement score.
- Journalism Major Electives (18 hours)** include: 1) one Professional practice directed elective –editing, reporting or management (3 hours); 2) two conceptual directed electives (6 hours); and 3) three additional JOUR electives (9 hours).
 - Professional Practice Directed Elective—editing, reporting or management (3 hours):** JOUR 245, 362, 371, 392, 443, 444, 461, 472 & 472L, 475, 482, 483, 534, 550, 563, 566, 573, 574, 576, 579, 597.
 - Conceptual Directed Electives (6 hours):** JOUR 201, 202, 203, 205, 219, 242, 243, 249, 285, 286, 303, 304, 306, 307, 308, 309, 311, 312, 331, 332, 333, 343, 344, 345, 348, 382, 385, 391, 394, 398, 400, 421, 428, 440, 445, 451, 480, 491, 501, 506, 507, 508, 509, 527, 530, 536, 539, 542, 563, 595, 596.
- Sports Media Concentration Courses (12 hours):** JOUR 391 (required) and 9 hours from: JOUR 242, 243, 244, 245, 307, 343, 344, 345, 394, 428, 443, 444, 461, 472, 472L.
- Social Science (3 hours):** any CC-GSS course or one of the following JOUR courses: JOUR 243, 285, 303, 304, 307, 308, 309, 311, 345, 391, 394, 398, 596.
- History Course (3 hours):** HIST 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110; ARTH 107; FAMS 300; GERM 280.
- Electives cannot include courses of a remedial or developmental nature.
- Social or Behavioral Sciences (3 hours):** any course from AFAM (African American Studies); ANTH (Anthropology); COLA (College of Liberal Arts); CRJU (Criminal Justice); GEOG (Geography – except GEOG 545 & 546); HIST (History); LASP (Latin American Studies); POLI (Political Science); PSYC (Psychology); SOCY (Sociology); SOST (Southern Studies); WGST (Women's & Gender Studies) or any one of the following JOUR courses: JOUR 243, 285, 303, 304, 307, 308, 309, 311, 345, 391, 394, 398, 596.

Program Notes:

- Courses identified as "critical" may affect time to graduation due to prerequisite requirements for subsequent required courses.
- All undergraduate students must take a 3-credit course or its equivalent with a passing grade that covers the founding documents. This course may fulfill any requirement in the program of study. Courses that meet this requirement are listed in the academic [bulletin](#).
- All majors within the school will be expected to pass all journalism and mass communications courses used toward the major with a minimum grade of C.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

| Codes: | | | |
|---------------|--|---------------|---|
| CC | Carolina Core | CC-INF | Carolina Core – Information Literacy |
| CC-AIU | Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding | CC-INT | Carolina Core – Integrative Course |
| CC-ARP | Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving | CC-SCI | Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy |
| CC-CMS | Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component | CC-VSR | Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility |
| CC-CMW | Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component | CR | College Requirement |
| CC-GFL | Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language | MR | Major Requirement |
| CC-GHS | Carolina Core – Historical Thinking | PR | Program Requirement |
| CC-GSS | Carolina Core – Social Sciences | | |

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.