

Journalism, A.S.

HEGIS: 5008.00

PROGRAM CODE: 81225

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DEPARTMENT: COMMUNICATIONS AND PERFORMING ARTS

The Journalism and Print Media AS degree is designed to provide students with the foundational courses that emphasize news gathering skills, narrative techniques, critical thinking, close examination of texts and effective writing, operation of publishing tools and software, and a working knowledge of the role and responsibilities of ethical journalism in a multicultural society. The degree is designed for transfer to baccalaureate programs.

The curriculum presented here applies to students who started the major in Fall 2026 or Spring 2027. If you enrolled as a matriculant prior to that, please see the *College Catalog* for the year you started the major as a matriculant for the curriculum requirements that apply to you.

Consultation with the Program Advisor is required.

Degree Maps:

Degree Map for Journalism and Print Media, A.S. **(see below)**

Your Degree Map contains the suggested term-by-term course sequence for your academic path towards graduation.

To ensure successful and timely completion of your degree, it is recommended that you meet with your academic advisor to discuss your unique map.

Please note some courses *may* only be offered once an academic year.

Program Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the Journalism and Print Media degree program requirements, graduates will:

1. Gather, evaluate, and ethically present information and news across various formats and genres, including digital and print, demonstrating adherence to legal, moral, and ethical standards.
2. Curate, produce, and critically assess photo, audio, and video content to create original multimedia works and effectively analyze content produced by others for publication.
3. Investigate and report on local community issues through traditional journalistic methods, critically analyzing diverse perspectives and evaluating their cultural impact.
4. Apply fundamental concepts and methods from disciplines exploring creative expression—such as arts, communications, creative writing, media arts, music, and theater—to produce original works and assess their impact and relevance.

College Requirements:

English and Math proficient as determined by the CUNY Proficiency Index, unless otherwise exempt, or successful completion of any required developmental course(s).

Civic Engagement Experiences:

One (1) Civic Engagement experience satisfied by Civic Engagement Certified or Civic Engagement Component course or approved outside activity.

Writing Intensive Requirement:

One (1) Writing Intensive Course in any discipline is required.

Required Core (4 Courses, 12 Credits):

When Required Core Courses are specified for a category they are strongly suggested and/or required for the major

*Note: You may elect to take a math or science course that is 4 credits or more. TAP counts 3 credits towards the requirements and the 4th credit as an elective.

- ENG 1200 - Composition I 3 Credit(s)
 - ENG 2400 - Composition II 3 Credit(s)
 - **Mathematical & Quantitative Reasoning Course 3 Credit(s) ***
 - **Life & Physical Sciences Course 3 Credit(s) ***
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Flexible Core (6 Courses, 18 Credits):

One course from each Group A to E. **and** one (1) additional course from any Group.
No more than two courses can be selected from the same discipline

A. World Cultures and Global Issues Designated Course

B. U.S. Experience in its Diversity Designated Course

C. Creative Expression Designated Course

D. Individual and Society Designated Course

E. Scientific World Designated Course*

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Major Requirements (11 Courses, 30 Credits):

- JRL 3100 - News Literacy 3 Credit(s)
- JRL 3200 - News Writing 3 Credit(s)
- JRL 4400 - Feature and Magazine Writing 3 Credit(s)
- JRL 4500 - Multimedia Journalism 3 Credit(s)
- JRL 4600 - Legal Ethics in Journalism 3 Credit(s)
- JRL 4700 - Entrepreneurial Journalism 3 Credit(s)
- JRL 9249 - Journalism Internship 3 Credit(s)
- JRL 7000 - Scepter Practicum (1 Credit, Must be repeated three times for a total of 3 credits)
- MCM 3000 - Mass Media 3 Credit(s)

AND

Select one (1) from the following:

- ART 9400 - Art of Digital Photography 3 Credit(s)
 - ART 5300 - Photojournalism I 3 Credit(s)
 - ART 5500 - Design Foundations 3 Credit(s)
 - MCB 4900 - Media Production and Editing 3 Credit(s)
 - MCB 5000 - Writing for Electronic Media 3 Credit(s)
 - JRL 81XX - Independent Study 1-3 Credit(s)
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Electives:

0 credits sufficient to meet required total of 60 credits

Total Credits: 60

Degree Map: A.S. Journalism

Degree InformationCatalog Year: **2026 - 2027**Plan: **Journalism AS**Sub Plan: **None**Required Credits: **60**General RequirementsReq GPA: **2.0**Req Residential Credits: **30**Req Pathways Credits: **30**Req Civic Engagement: **1**Req Writing Intensive: **1**

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
ENG 1200	3
MATH & QUANTITATIVE REASONING	3
MCM 3000	3
JRL 3100 - News Literacy	3
JRL 3200 - News Writing	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
ENG 2400	3
JRL 4500 – Multimedia Journalism	3
JRL 7000 – Scepter Practicum	1
JRL 4600 – Legal Ethics in Journalism	3
Choose 1: Flexible Core Individual & Society	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS
LIFE & PHYSICAL SCIENCES	3

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
JRL 4700 – Entrepreneurial Journalism	3
JRL 7000 – Scepter Practicum	3
Choose 1: Flexible Core World Cultures & Global Issues	1
Choose 1: Flexible Core Scientific World	3
Choose one: ART 5500, ART 5300, ART 9400, MCB 4900, MCB 5000, JRL81XX	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS
Choose 1: Flexible Core Creative Expression	3

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Session A

COURSE	CRS
JRL 4400 - Feature & Magazine Writing	3
JRL 9249 – Journalism Internship	3
JRL 7000 – Scepter Practicum	1
Choose 1: Flexible Core GROUP A - E	3
Choose 1: Flexible Core U.S. Experiences in Its Diversity	3

Session B

COURSE	CRS

NOTE: The term-by-term course sequence takes into account necessary Prerequisites, Corequisites, and Pre-/Co-requisites

NOTE: Select ONE (1) WRITING INTENSIVE course & ONE (1) CIVIC ENGAGEMENT course. Some courses meet BOTH requirements, see CUNYfirst to determine course status

SEMESTER CRS: 15

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SEMESTER CRS: 13