2013-2014

Bachelor of Science in Mass Communication BROADCAST JOURNALISM EMPHASIS CURRICULUM GUIDE

FRESHMAN SEMESTER – 1		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits
ENGL 1301	Academic Writing and	3 hours
	Argumentation	
CORE 90	Institutionally Designated Option	3 hours
CORE 20	Mathematics Core	3 hours
MCOM 2315	Writing for Media	3 hours
MCOM 1307	Intro. to Mass Communication	3 hours
	Total Semester Hours	15

FRESHMAN SEMESTER – 2			
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	
ENGL 1302 (PR)	Research & Rhetoric or Professional	3 hours	
or 2311 (PR)	& Technical writing		
CORE 30	Natural Science Core	3-4 hrs	
MCOM 2376	Mass Communication Theory	3 hours	
CORE 60	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours	
COMM 1315	Basic Public Speaking	3 hours	
	Total Semester Hours	15 -16	

SOP		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits
POSC 2305 or 2370	American National Government	3 hours
CORE 30	Natural Science Core	3 -4 hrs
ELECTIVE	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours
MCOM 2310	Media Design	3 hours
CORE 50	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours
	Total Semester Hours	15-16

S	OPHOMORE SEMESTER – 2	
Course Number	Course Name	Credits
POSC 2306	State & Local Govt.	3 hours
MCOM CORE	See Broadcast Journalism Emphasis list below •	3 hours
ELECTIVE	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours
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COMM 2377	Intercultural Communication	3 hours
	Total Semester Hours	15

JUNIOR SEMESTER – 1		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits
ELECTIVE	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours
MCOM 2327, 3379	Advertising Principles or PR &	3 hours
or 3331	Publicity or Media Management	
MCOM 3302 or 3314	Journalism Research or PR and AD	3 hours
or COMM 3315 (S)	Research or Research Methods (S)	
MCOM CORE	See Broadcast Journalism Emphasis	3 hours
	list below ◆	
MCOM 3305(PR)	New Media	3 hours
	Total Semester Hours	15

	JUNIOR SEMESTER – 2	•
Course	Course Name	Credits
MCOM CORE	See Broadcast Journalism Emphasis list below •	3 hours
MCOM 3312	Advertising Techniques or	3 hrs
or 3335 (PR)	Television reporting	
ELECTIVE	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours
CORE 60	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours
BS	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours
	Total Semester Hours	15

SENIOR SEMESTER – 1			
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	
MCOM 4302(PR)	Mass Communication Ethics	3 hours	
MCOM CORE	See Broadcast Journalism Emphasis list below •	3 hours	
ELECTIVE	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours	
BS Requirement	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours	
ELECTIVE	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours	
	Total Semester Hours	15	

9	SENIOR SEMESTER – 2	
Course Number	Course Name	Credits
	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours
ELECTIVE◆◆	Non Mass Communication Course	0-2 hrs. ••
MCOM 4398	Media Internship	3 hours
MCOM 3327	Media Law	3 hours
ELECTIVE	Non Mass Communication Course	3 hours
MCOM 4191 (PR)	Portfolio & Professional Dev.	1 hour
	Total Semester Hours	13-15

S=Spring only

Notes:

- All Mass Communication Majors must take MCOM 1307 for CORE 40, MCOM 2315 and Choose one research course from research course options.
- MCOM 3305 pre-requisite is MCOM 1307.

F=Fall only

- MCOM 3335 pre-requisites are MCOM 1307 & MCOM 2315.
- MCOM 4191 pre-requisite is senior level standing. This course should be taken during a student's final semester at WT.
- MCOM 4302 pre-requisites are MCOM 2315 & junior level standing.
- MCOM 4310 Media Design is now MCOM 2310.
- Communication Department section of **IDS 1071** highly recommended for all Mass Communication majors

PR=Prerequisite

• MCOM majors are limited to completing 43 semester credit hours in MCOM (28-hour core and 15 hours of internship and emphasis courses) per accreditation standards. Remaining degree requirements and hours (77 hours minimum) must be fulfilled by completing non-mass communication courses.

N=See note

- ◆ BROACAST JOURNALISM EMPHASIS—12 hours not taken for MCOM Core from: MCOM 1319, 2173, 2327, 2375 w/lab, 3301 (S), 3302 (S of even yrs.), 3309 w/lab (S; PR: 2315), 3310 (F of even yrs.), 3331 (S), 3335 (S; PR: 1307 & 2315), 3350, 4390 (PR: senior standing).
- NON-MCOM ELECTIVES for majors include, but are not limited to: COMM 3341 Persuasion (F/S); COMM 3320 Nonverbal Communication (F); COMM 3345 Small Group Discussion (S); COMM 3360 Gender Com (F/S); COMM 4310 Training and Dev. (S); COMM 4330 Storytelling (F/S); MGT 3330; MKT 3340
- ♦♦ ELECTIVE(S): Hours will vary depending on hours completed for Core 30 and foreign language. Minimum total required for degree is 120 hours.

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