

WTAMU ADVISING SERVICES – 2025-2026 Curriculum Guide

Major: Digital Journalism (7-12) Certification, B.S.

Major Code: 832

Year 1: Fall		Year 1: Spring	
CORE 10 (Communication) – ENGL 1301 or 1311	3	CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) – See checklist for options	3
CORE 10 (Communication) – COMM 1315, 1318 or 1321	3	CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options	3
CORE 20 (Mathematics) – See checklist for options	3	CORE 90 (Component Area Option) – See checklist for options - ENGL 1302, 1312 or 2311 is recommended. ¹	3
CORE 40 (Lang., Phil. & Culture) – MCOM 1307 ¹	3	MCOM Core – MCOM 2310 Media Design	3
MCOM Core – MCOM 1336 Basic Video Production	3	MCOM Core – MCOM 2311 Media Writing	3
Total:	15	Total:	15
Year 2: Fall		Year 2: Spring	
CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) – See checklist for options	3	CORE 70 (Govt./Political Sci.) – POSC 2305	3
CORE 50 (Creative Arts) – See checklist for options	3	CORE 80 (Social & Behav. Sci) – COMM 2377 recommended ¹	3
CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options	3	MCOM Core – MCOM 2376 Media Theory	3
CORE 70 (Govt./Political Sci.) – POSC 2306	3	DJ Requirement – MCOM 3309 Multimedia Journalism	3
CORE 90 (Component Area Option) – See checklist for options	3	DJ Required Elective – See checklist for options	3
DJ Requirement – MCOM 2345 Principles of Journalism	3	EPSY 3341 Educational Psychology	3
Apply to EPP (Educator Preparation Program)			
Total:	18	Total:	18
Year 3: Fall		Year 3: Spring	
MCOM Core – MCOM 3305 New Media	3	MCOM Core – MCOM 3314 Public Relations & Adv. Research	3
MCOM Core – MCOM 3379 Media Management	3	DJ Requirement – MCOM 3335 News One On Air	3
DJ Requirement – MCOM 3330 Trends in Journalism	3	EDPD 4348 Data-Informed Instruction and Assessment	3
DJ Required Elective – See checklist for options	3	EDRD 4386 Secondary Reading in the Content Area	3
EDPD 4330 Educational Methodology & Diverse Learners	3	EPSY 4341 Educator Readiness and Performance	3
B.S. Requirement – See checklist for options	3		
Total:	18	Total:	15
Year 4: Fall		Year 4: Spring	
MCOM Core – MCOM 4302 Media Law & Ethics	3	EDPD 4398 Clinical Teaching – All Certificate Areas	3
MCOM Core – MCOM 4398 Media Internship	3	EDSE 4341 Clinical Teaching – Secondary	3
EDPD 4340 Classroom Management	3		
EPSY 3350 Children with Special Needs	3		
B.S. Requirement – See checklist for options	3		
Total:	15	Total:	6

¹ **CORE:** Digital Journalism majors are required to take MCOM 1307 for Core 40. For all other categories, they may select from any available options (see degree checklist). Apart from the major-specific core requirement, there is no set order in which core courses must be taken. COMM 2377 is recommended for Core 80.

<p>Identified Marketable Skills Effective writing for digital media, broadcast and print – Multimedia production (audio, video, graphic design) – Leadership – Research & analysis – Interviewing</p>	<p>Top Three Local Employers or Industries/Professional Programs/Possible Career Opportunities Digital Journalism Education 7-12 – Social Media management – Research and data analysis</p>
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Additional notes:

- All Digital Communication & Media majors will compile and submit an e-portfolio that demonstrates required competencies during the required internship course. The internship course should be taken during the final semester.
- Working for "The Prairie" (as paid staff) is highly encouraged.
- The core curriculum must total exactly 42 hours; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.
- At least 36 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion (RELI) and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.

DISCLAIMER: This curriculum guide should be used in conjunction with the corresponding degree checklist for general planning purposes only. The degree checklist (later a student's official degree plan) should be referred to as the comprehensive list of all courses required for the degree. An official degree plan is required after completing 30 hours. Students should always seek the advice of their academic adviser before scheduling classes.