MASS COMMUNICATIONS AND JOURNALISM

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The mission of the Department of Mass Communications and Journalism is to advance the academic and professional excellence of undergraduate and graduate students, alumni, and media practitioners through programs of teaching, research, and public service that combine strong liberal arts and science studies with professional preparation for media careers. The Department shall produce graduates who meet high standards of performance in gathering, editing, interpreting, and disseminating information that may determine the public discourse.

The Department offers an undergraduate degree program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Mass Communications in either of two tracks: General Broadcast or Journalism, and a graduate degree program leading to the Master of Arts in Media and Communications.

The curriculum is designed to meet the requirements of the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC).

Curriculum Regulations
Mass Communications and Journalism students must earn "C" or better in every departmental course and in:

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Transfer Credit Policy
The Department will accept no more than 12 hours credit in a comparable undergraduate major taken at another institution. It shall accept credits for courses outside the major when approved by the Office of Admissions and the Registrar's Office.

Mass Communications and Journalism Programs
- Bachelor of Science in Mass Communications - General Broadcast Concentration
- Bachelor of Science in Mass Communications - Journalism Concentration
- Minor in Mass Communications

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