

BA: Media Arts — Media Studies Option (120 S.H. required to complete the degree)

Four-Year Plan This is a sample sequence of courses. Other combinations are possible.



Pre-requisites are in parentheses; see catalog for details.

Class standing by credit: Freshman: 0-29 credits; Sophomore: 30-59 credits; Junior: 60-89 credits; Senior: 90+ credits

FIRST YEAR (30 S.H.)	SEMESTER 1 (15 S.H.)			SEMESTER 2 (15 S.H.)		
	WRT 101 Composition I or Writing Intensive	3		Writing Intensive or Free Elective	3	
	MAT 100 or Gen Ed Math/CS (Math must be above 100 level)	3		Gen Ed: Math/CS	3	
	Gen Ed: Communication Skills	3		Gen Ed: Social and Behavioral Sciences	3	
	Gen Ed: Humanities (Foreign Language if required)	3		Gen Ed: Humanities (if required)	3	
COM 110 Sight Sound & Motion	3		COM 146 Basic Video Production	3		

SECOND YEAR (30-32 S.H.)	SEMESTER 3 (16 S.H.)			SEMESTER 4 (14 S.H.)		
	COM 230 History of Mass Media (sophomore standing)	3		COM 271 Exploring the Film (sophomore standing)	3	
	COM 219 Communications Ethics (sophomore standing)	3		COM 290 Communication Theory (COM 161 or 162 or 163 and one other COM course)	3	
	Gen Ed: Humanities	3		Gen Ed: Humanities	3	
	Gen Ed: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3		Gen Ed Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	
Gen Ed: Lab Science	4		HPX177 Fitness for Life	2		

THIRD YEAR (32 S.H.)	SEMESTER 5 (15 S.H.)			SEMESTER 6 (15 S.H.)		
	COM 390 Research Methods in Communication	3		COM Major Elective	3	
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	Gen Ed Humanities	3		Free Elective	3	
	Gen Ed: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3		Free Elective	3	
	Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3	
Gen Ed: Math/CS or Science	3-4					
Complete a degree audit and plan for application for graduation						

FOURTH YEAR (30 S.H.)	SEMESTER 7 (15 S.H.)			SEMESTER 8 (15 S.H.)		
	COM 495 Senior Thesis or Free Elective (COM290 or COM 390, C or better)	3		COM 495 Senior Thesis or Free Elective (COM290 or COM 390, C or better)	3	
	Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3	
	Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3	
	Free Elective	3		Free Elective	3	
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The number of Free Electives available will vary based on your initial math & writing placement tests. MAT 100 and WRT 101 if required, count as elective credit.

Good Academic Standing in Communication & Media Arts includes each of the following: an overall GPA of 2.0; a GPA in the major of 2.5 (in classes that count towards the major requirements); completing COM 290 Communication Theory and COM 219 Ethical Responsibility in Human Communication with a C or better before earning 60 credits or within 15 credits of changing their major to or transferring into Communication or Media Arts if they have already earned 60 credit; and completing COM 390 Research Methods in Communication with a C or better before earning 90 credits or within 15 credits of changing their major to Communication or Media Arts if they have already earned or transferred in 90 credits.

Media Production Option:

COM 235 Preproduction for Television and Film (COM 110 or COM 146 with a grade ≥ B-)

COM 242 Scriptwriting (COM 110 or COM 146 with a grade ≥ B-)

COM 243 Broadcast Writing (COM 146 and completion of a WI course with a grade ≥ C)

COM 246 Intermediate Video Production (COM 146 with a grade ≥ B-)

COM 270 Fundamentals of Radio Broadcasting

COM 275 Radio Workshop, COM 336 Postproduction (COM 246 with a grade ≥ B-)

COM 394 Special Topics in Media Production (COME 146 and junior standing), COM 446 Advanced Video Production (COM 235 and COM 336 with a grade ≥ B-)

With Approval of Advisor: CED297 Cooperative Education, COM 297 Communication Cooperative Education