

Journalism AA Major - Active

Department: Journalism

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City College offers a degree in Journalism that gives the research, writing, and production skills that are essential to a career in journalism. Current technology, from online research to electronic pagination, will be taught during the first two semesters. Third and fourth semester students use these skills to write, design, and edit The Guardsman and/or Etc. Magazine. They cover a beat within the larger college community, learning the art and applying the crafts of journalism.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Research, write, and edit news and feature stories for publication in print and in multimedia platforms.
- Contribute to the design and publication of newspapers and magazines.
- Critically discuss the role of journalists in modern society.
- Critically discuss the impact of the mass media on society.

Assuming students start this AA with transfer-level math and English eligibility, the minimum time for completion is 4 semesters. Completion time will vary based on student preparation and number of units completed per semester.

Courses Required for the Major in Journalism AA

Course	Units
First Semester:	
JOUR 19 - Contemporary News Media	3.00
JOUR 21 - News Reporting and Writing	3.00
VMD 105 - Visual Media Digital Skills	3.00
LIBR 51 - Introduction to Libraries and Library Resources	3.00
Total:	12.00
Second Semester:	
JOUR 22 - Feature Writing	3.00
JOUR 35 - Internet Journalism	3.00
JOUR 37 - Introduction to Photojournalism	3.00
VMD 100 - Orientation to Visual Media Design	1.00
Total:	10.00
Third Semester:	
JOUR 23 - Copy Editing	3.00
JOUR 24 - Newspaper Laboratory	4.00
JOUR 38 - Intermediate Photojournalism	3.00
BCST 110 - Introduction to Writing for Electronic Media	3.00
Total:	13.00

Fourth Semester:	
JOUR 29A - Introduction to Magazine Editing and Production	3.00
JOUR 25 - Editorial Management	3.00
JOUR 26 - Fundamentals of Public Relations	3.00
Total:	9.00
Recommended additional coursework:	
Journalism majors are advised to seek out a broad based education that will provide a strong liberal arts background. This is considered to be one of the best assets for a journalism professional. The list below is far from inclusive and is simply offered as a suggestion. Consult with an advisor and become familiar with college wide course offerings.	
BCST 135 - Audio for the Web	1.00
CINE 20A - Film History: Evolution of Film Expression	3.00
CINE 20B - Film History: Contemporary Film Expression	3.00
ENGL 44A - Survey of World Literature, Part 1: Ancient, Medieval, and Early Modern	3.00
ENGL 44B - Survey of World Literature, Part II: Early Modern to the Present	3.00
VMD 122 - Graphic Design II	3.00
HIST 1 - The United States Since 1900	3.00
IDST 37 - Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3.00
VMD 191 - Social Media for Professionals	1.00
MRKT 170 - Advertising and Integrated Marketing Communication	3.00
PHOT 57 - Photography for the Web	3.00
PHOT 102B - Documentary/News Photography	2.00
PHOT 51 - Beginning Photography	3.00
PSYC 32 - Social Psychology	3.00
Total:	0.00
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