

Program Completion Plan (Eight Semester Plan)

Department: _____ Mass Communication and Theatre _____ **Degree:** _____ BS _____
Program/Major: _____ Journalism _____
Track/Emphasis: _____ Mass Communication Research _____
Does this program require a minor? (Yes/No) _____ Yes _____

Important program information in the online *Undergraduate Bulletin*:

UCA Core Requirements: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2013/general-policies-information/uca-core/>
Degree Requirements: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2013/general-policies-information/degree-requirements/>
Program Description: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2013/colleges-departments-programs/college-of-fine-arts-and-communication/department-of-mass-communication-and-theatre/>
Course Descriptions: <http://uca.edu/ubulletin2013/courses/>

This degree program requires a total of **120** semester credit hours, including at least **40** upper-division credit hours.

Comparable courses in the Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) are cross-referenced in the ACTS column of each semester block below; a [core link](http://uca.edu/go/ubulletin-ldcore/) (<http://uca.edu/go/ubulletin-ldcore/>) takes the user to the *Undergraduate Bulletin's* UCA Core page, where UCA Core options and ACTS course numbers are listed in full; an [acts link](#) takes the user to the *Undergraduate Bulletin's* ACTS page (<http://uca.edu/go/acts>) for additional information and a full UCA-ACTS crosswalk.

Year 1

Fall – Semester 1 (credit hours: 16)

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|------|---|-----|---------------------------|
| WRTG | 1310 | Introduction to College Writing | 3 | ENGL1013 |
| | | UCA Core Requirement ¹ | 3 | core link |
| | | UCA Core Requirement ¹ | 3 | core link |
| | | UCA Core Requirement ¹ | 3 | core link |
| | | UCA Core Requirement (Critical Inquiry: Natural Science) ¹ | 4 | core link |

Spring – Semester 2 (credit hours: 16)

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|------|--|-----|---------------------------|
| WRTG | 1320 | Academic Writing and Research | 3 | ENGL1023 |
| MCOM | 1300 | Media and Society | 3 | |
| | | UCA Core Requirement | 3 | core link |
| | | UCA Core Requirement | 3 | core link |
| | | UCA Core Requirement (Critical Inquiry: Natural Science) | 4 | core link |

Year 2**Fall – Semester 3 (credit hours: 16)**

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|------|------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| JOUR | 2300 | Beginning Reporting | 3 | |
| | | UCA Core Requirement | 3 | core link |
| | | UCA Core Requirement | 3 | core link |
| | | UCA Core Requirement | 3 | core link |
| | | BS Science/Math ² | 3-4 | acts link |
| | | General Elective | 0-1 | |

Spring – Semester 4 (credit hours: 15)

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|------|---------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| JOUR | 2325 | Principles of Online Journalism | 3 | |
| JOUR | 2340 | Broadcast Journalism I | 3 | |
| JOUR | 1121 | Print Media Applications | 1 | |
| JOUR | | JOUR Elective ³ | 3 | |
| | | BS Science/Math | 3-4 | acts link |
| | | General Elective | 1-2 | |

Year 3**Fall – Semester 5 (credit hours: 16)**

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|------|----------------------------------|-----|------|
| JOUR | 2305 | Basic Press Photography | 3 | |
| MCOM | 3301 | Media Law and Ethics | 3 | |
| JOUR | 3320 | Introduction to Research Methods | 3 | |
| JOUR | 2123 | Electronic Media Applications | 1 | |
| | | Minor Elective ⁴ | 3 | |
| | | Minor Elective | 3 | |

Spring – Semester 6 (credit hours: 13)

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|-----------------|--|-----|------|
| JOUR | | JOUR Elective | 3 | |
| JOUR | 2121 or 3123 | Print or Electronic Media Applications | 1 | |
| MCOM | 3307 | Theories of Mass Communication | 3 | |
| | | Minor Elective | 3 | |
| | | Minor Elective | 3 | |

Year 4**Fall – Semester 7 (Credit hours: 13)**

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|-----------------|--|-----|------|
| JOUR | 3308 | News Editing | 3 | |
| JOUR | 3321 | Internship | 3 | |
| JOUR | 3121 or 4123 | Print or Electronic Media Applications | 1 | |
| | | Minor Elective | 3 | |
| | | Minor Elective | 3 | |

Spring – Semester 8 (Credit hours: 15)

| SUBJ | NUM | TITLE | SCH | ACTS |
|------|------|------------------|-----|------|
| MCOM | 4302 | Media Effects | 3 | |
| | | General Elective | 3 | |
| | | General Elective | 3 | |
| | | Minor Elective | 3 | |
| | | Minor Elective | 3 | |

 SIGNED – DEPARTMENT CHAIR

 DATE

 SIGNED – COLLEGE DEAN

 DATE

To be completed by the advisor when an Eight-Semester Plan is accepted by the student:

If applicable, has student selected a minor? Type "x" as appropriate. _____ No _____ Yes

If "yes," specify: _____

Notes

¹ See appropriate choices, alternatives, or substitutions under "UCA Core" in the *Undergraduate Bulletin*. During the first year, a student must complete a UCA Core course designated as a First-Year Seminar (FYS) in Critical Inquiry, Diversity, or Responsible Living. The student will also need to complete major, minor, or general elective courses designated as fulfilling the upper-division and capstone requirements of the UCA Core.

² Depending on the math or science courses selected to satisfy the special degree requirements for a Bachelor of Science, the student will need to adjust the number of general elective hours in this PCP. For further details about the BS Science/Math requirement, see the *Undergraduate Bulletin*, "Degree Requirements," § 2.2.5, Bachelor of Science.

³ A total of 6 elective hours are required for the major. Elective courses are listed on the Journalism checklist.

⁴ This Program Completion Plan includes 24 credit hours in the Minor field of study. Minor requirements range from 15 to 31 credit hours. Depending on the minor selected, the student will need to adjust the number of general elective and minor elective credit hours in this PCP.