

SAMPLE DEGREE PLAN

Bachelor of Arts, Journalism, Online Journalism

This degree program requires a total of **120** credit hours (CH), including 38 credit hours of the lower-division (LD) UCA Core and 40 credit hours of upper-division (3000- and 4000-level) courses. This sample degree plan demonstrates how a first-time entering freshman with no college credit can earn the degree in eight semesters. The upper-division UCA Core must be met using major, minor, or general elective courses. For general and specific degree requirements, please see the *Undergraduate Bulletin* at <https://uca.edu/ubulletin>. Consult your academic advisor for appropriate substitutions and additional information.

This degree is offered as an eight-semester degree completion program. Eligible students who follow this degree plan and complete all general and specific degree requirements in the *Undergraduate Bulletin* of the year in which they were admitted will earn this degree in eight semesters. For eligibility requirements, see <https://uca.edu/ubulletin/degreeplans/> for more information.

Year 1

Fall — Semester 1		Spring — Semester 2	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
WRTG 1310 Introduction to College Writing or Other approved Writing Foundation alternative	3	WRTG 1320 Academic Writing & Research or ENGL 1320 Interdisciplinary Writing & Research or Other approved Research and Writing alternative	3
LD UCA Core First Year Seminar or MCOM 1300 Media and Society	3	LD UCA Core First Year Seminar (if not taken) or MCOM 1300 Media and Society	3
MATH 1360 Quantitative Literacy or Related Course Requirement	3	MATH 1360 Quantitative Literacy (if not taken) or Related Course Requirement	3
LD UCA Core Course	3	LD UCA Core Course	3
LD UCA Core Course	3	LD UCA Core Lab Science	4
Total	15	Total	16

Year 2

Fall — Semester 3		Spring — Semester 4	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
JOUR 2300 Beginning Reporting	3	JOUR 2325 Principles of Online Journalism	3
LD UCA Core Course	3	JOUR 2305 Basic Press Photography	3
LD UCA Core Course	3	JOUR 1121 Print Media Applications or JOUR 1123 Electronic Media Applications ¹	1
Related Course Requirement (if needed) or General Elective	3	JOUR 3308 News Editing	3
LD UCA Core Lab Science	4	Minor Course	3
		General Elective	3
Total	16	Total	16

Year 3

Fall — Semester 5		Spring — Semester 6	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
JOUR 2340 Broadcast Journalism Production I	3	JOUR 3346 Online Publishing II	3
MCOM 3301 Media Law and Ethics	3	JOUR 3121 Print Media Applications or JOUR 3123 Electronic Media Applications ¹	1
JOUR 3345 Online Publishing I	3	Major Elective	3
JOUR 2121 Print Media Applications or JOUR 2123 Electronic Media Applications ¹	1	Minor Course	3
Minor Course	3	Minor Course	3
Minor Course	3		
Total	16	Total	13

Year 4

Fall — Semester 7		Spring — Semester 8	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
JOUR 3321 Internship	3	Major Elective	3
JOUR 4121 Print Media Applications or JOUR 4123 Electronic Media Applications ¹	1	Minor Courses (if needed) or General Electives	12
Major Elective	3		
Minor Courses (if needed) or General Electives	3		
Total	13	Total	15

¹Online Journalism students must complete at least one hour of Print and one hour of Electronic Applications among the four hours.

This sample degree plan has been approved by the School of Communication in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Science.



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