REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN JOURNALISM

GAYLORD COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education:

Summer 2007 through Spring 2008

Minimum Credit Hours and Grade Point Averages Required								
Total Hours —	130	Upper-Division Within Total	48					
Major Hours —	30	Upper-Division Within Major	24					
Grade Point Average	es:							
Overall & Major: Combined OU/Transfer - 2.50 OU - 2.50								

Journalism and Mass Communication— Professional Writing 0602F

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism

Spring 2006	Last	<u>60 Hou</u>	rs - 2.50		Bachelor of Arts III Jo	umansn						
OU encourages students to complete at least 33 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in four years.												
GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLI Courses graded S/U or P/NP	EGE REQUIREMENTS		AJOR REQUIREMENTS	Hours	MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - continued	Hours						
Courses for fulfillment of general education requirer course list.	ments must be from the approved	JOURN 1013	ALISM & MASS COMMUNICATION Intro. to Mass Communication	3	Requirements for admission to the Gaylord of Journalism and Mass Communication are	College outlined						
University-Wide General Educa (minimum 40 ho		2033	Writing for Mass Media§	3	on the back of this page.							
Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication a: English Composition (6 hours, 2 courses) 1. English 1113, Principles of English Composit	(9-19 hours, 3-5 courses)	3504	Introduction to Professional Writing	4	A maximum of 50 hours of Journalism and Communication may be counted in the 13i required for graduation. No student will be a BA in Journalism degree without completin	0 hours awarded a						
English 1113, Frinciples of English Composit EXPO 1213, Expository Writing		3514	Writing the Short Story	4	80 semester credit hours outside the Colleg least 65 of these hours must be in liberal ar	ge. At						
b: Foreign Language (0-10 hours, 2 courses in the successful completion of 2 years of the same fo	reign language in high school.	4514 4573	Writing the Novel Theories of Prof. Writing	3	ences courses.							
(Additional foreign language requirement – see 1. Beginning course, 0-5 hours		4803	(Capstone) History of Journalism	3	A grade of C or better is required in all Journ and Mass Communication courses.							
2. Beginning course, continued, 0-5 hours		4813	Mass Communication Law	3								
c: Mathematics (3 hours, 1 course)		.0.5	mass communication Law		F FI (*	T						
Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, 2 courses).		Three-h	nour upper division JMC elective:	3	Free Electives Electives to bring total applicable hours to 130 including 48 upper-division hours.							
different disciplines. One must include a laboratory 1 2				J								
Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours, 2 courses) 1. Political Science 1113, American Federal Government and one additional course: 2		Recomi 3013 3023 3103 3534 4023 4043	mended JMC electives: News Gathering & Presentation Feature Writing News Editing Professional Writing: Magazine Writing Advanced News Editing									
Core Area IV: Humanities (12 hours, 4 courses) a: Understanding Artistic Forms (3 hours, 1 course) b: Western Civilization and Culture (6 hours, 2 cc 1. History 1483, U.S., 1492-1865, or History 1 and one additional course:	hours, 1 course)e (6 hours, 2 courses)		Reporting in Specialized Fields Tutorial in Writing Category Fiction Film Script Writing			d College ire outlined d Mass 30 hours e awarded a ing at least ege. At arts and sci-						
2 (excluding HIS	ST 1483 and 1493)	§ Satisfi	ies Computer Literacy Requirement.									
c: Non-Western Culture (3 hours, 1 course)												
Senior Capstone Experience (3 hours, 1 course:) s	atisfied by JMC 4573 in major											
Additional Gaylord College o Mass Communication Re												
Foreign Language (0-3 hours). One course at the demonstrated competency at that level.	intermediate level or											
Intermediate Course, 3 hours												
II. Western Civilization (6 upper-division hours, 2 major and in addition to University General Edu												
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Computer Literacy Requirement — Students must proficiency which includes the competent use of a networking applications. This requirement may be search 1. A high school computer science course that me 2. Completion of a college-level course that requires 3. Completion of a university computer proficience.	variety of software and satisfied by: eets curricular requirement; or competent use of computing; or											

INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

TOTAL HOURS: A Bachelor of Arts in Journalism degree requires 130 hours, 48 of which must be upper-division (3000-4000 level courses).

Transfer work will be counted as lower-division or upper-division credit depending on the level at which it was offered at the institution where the work was taken. All two-year college work is considered to be lower-division.

HOURS BY EXAM, CORRESPONDENCE STUDY AND/OR EXTENSION: A maximum of 31 semester hours (or 1/4 of the total hours required for a preprofessional program of study) may be completed by a combination of exam, correspondence study and/or extension credit.

ATTENDANCE: Students who do not attend a JMC class or lab on the first day of classes may be dropped from the class or lab.

 $\textbf{TRANSFER WORK:} \ A \ maximum \ of nine hours of transfer \ JMC \ coursework \ will \ apply \ toward \ the \ BA \ in \ Journalism. \ No \ JMC \ transfer \ work \ will \ be \ accepted \ after \ full \ admission \ to \ the \ College.$

INDIVIDUAL STUDIES (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"): A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation.

REPEAT OF FAILED COURSEWORK: A student earning a grade of "F" in an upper-division course at OU may not repeat the course for credit at another institution without the prior written permission of the department that offered the course at OU. Once fully admitted to the College of Journalism and Mass Communication, no additional upper-division JMC transfer work will be accepted.

MILITARY, MILITARY IN-SERVICE, AND P.E. COURSES: A maximum of 16 semester hours total of basic skills courses; aerospace studies, military science, and naval science courses; advanced military in-service experience; and PE activity courses may be included in the minimum 130 semester hours required for graduation. No more than four of the 16 semester hours may be in PE activity courses.

SENIOR INSTITUTION HOURS: A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

RESIDENCY:

- A minimum of 30 semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be earned in residence at OU, including at least 15 of the last 30 hours applied toward the degree.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are *not* considered resident credit.
- · Credits earned via examination are neither resident nor nonresident credit.

SPECIAL DEGREES: Students may qualify for an Honors degree (cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, or Summa cum Laude) by completing specific requirements of the Honors College. A degree will be earned with Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.60 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA. A degree will be earned with Special Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.90 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA.

APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION: Students must apply for graduation during the term in which they complete their degree requirements in order to graduate in that term. Application forms are available in the Student Services Center, 2520 Gaylord Hall. The deadline for completion of all coursework to graduate in a particular term is the last day of classes in that term.

Requirements for full Admission to the College of Journalism and Mass Communication

All incoming freshmen or transfer students are classified as Pre-Journalism majors until the following requirements are met:

- · Successfully pass the Gaylord College Entrance Exams;
- Successfully complete JMC 1013 (Introduction to Mass Communication) with a grade of C or better;
- · Successful completion of at least 21 hours of courses acceptable for General Education credit;
- Achieve a minimum combined retention grade point average of 2.75 on all work attempted, as well as a 2.75 on all major work; and
- Completed Application Form.

Once admitted as a major in the Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication you may choose a major in one of the following: Advertising, Broadcasting and Electronic Media, Journalism, Professional Writing, or Public Relations.

If you have any questions or advising concerns, please contact: Student Services Center, Gaylord Hall, Room 2533, (405) 325-5684.

Suggested Semester Plan of Study — Professional Writing - 0602F

Year	FIRST SEMESTER	Hours	SECOND SEMESTER	Hours
FRESHMAN	ENGL 1113, Principles of English Composition (Core I) HIST 1483, United States 1492-1865, or 1493, United States 1865-Present (Core IV) JMC 1013, Intro. to Mass Communication, or Social Science (Core III) Beginning Foreign Language (Core I) Free Elective, lower-division	3 3 3 5 2	ENGL 1213, Principles of English Composition (Core I), or EXPO 1213, Expository Writing (Core I) JMC 1013, Intro. to Mass Communication, or Social Science (Core III) MATH (Core I) P SC 1113, American Federal Government (Core III) Beginning Foreign Language continued (Core I)	3 3 3 3 5
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	17
SOPHOMORE	JMC 2033, Writing for Mass Media ^S , or Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV) Intermediate Foreign Language Natural Science with lab (Core II) Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV) Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3 3 4 3 3	JMC 2033, Writing for Mass Media [§] , or Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV) Natural Science without lab (Core II) Non-Western Culture (Core IV) Free Elective, lower- or upper-division Free Elective, lower- or upper-division Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3 3 3 3 3 1
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16
JUNIOR	JMC 3504, Introduction to Professional Writing JMC 4803, History of Journalism Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV), or Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.) Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level) Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level) Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	4 3 3 3 3 1	JMC 3514, Writing the Short Story JMC Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level) Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV), or Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.) Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level) Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	4 3 3 3 3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	17	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16
SENIOR	JMC 4514, Writing the Novel JMC 4813, Mass Communication Law Free Elective, lower- or upper-division Free Elective, lower- or upper-division Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level) Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	4 3 3 2 3 3 3	JMC 4573, Theories of Professional Writing (Capstone) Free Elective, lower- or upper-division Free Elective, lower- or upper-division Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level) Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3 2 3 3 3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	18	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	14

Bachelor's degrees require a minimum of 48 hours of upper-division (3000-4000) coursework.

This plan of study should not be used in lieu of academic advisement.