

Undergraduate Major Map

Catalog Year 2016
College / School Journal and Mass Communication
Major Communications - BS
Track / Concentration Journalism
Career Path Four Year Freshman

Fall Term 2016

May use UCC Foundations of Social Inquiry course to satisfy the Global Learning requirement. (2) See endnotes

Term GPA: 3
Term Hours: 13
Cum Hours: 13

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
UCC First Year Experience	SLS 1501	First Year Exper	1		
UCC English Composition	ENC 1101	Writing and Rhetoric I	3	B+	
UCC Social Science Group One			3		(1) See endnotes
General Electives			3		(1) See endnotes
UCC Mathematics Group One			3		See end notes. MG1106 or MGF1107 or MAC 1105 are recommended MGF1106 or MGF1107 or MTG1204 are recommended

Spring Term 2017

May use UCC Societies and Identities course to satisfy the Global Learning requirement. (2) See endnotes

Term GPA: 3
Term Hours: 12
Cum Hours: 28

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
UCC English Composition	ENC 1102	Writing and Rhetoric II	3	B+	
General Electives			3		
UCC Arts			3		SPC2608 is recommended
UCC Social Science Group Two			3		
UCC Mathematics Group One			0		(1) See end notes. CGS2518 or MTG 1204 or PHI2100 are

Summer Term 2017

Use this semester to catch up on coursework and/or satisfy the 9 credits summer requirement (if needed). (3) See endnotes

Term GPA: 3
Term Hours: 6
Cum Hours: 34

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
General Electives			3		
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Fall Term 2017

Student needs to be evaluated at the end of this semester (having reached the 45 CRH).

Journalism: students must have a min 3.0 cumulative GPA at 60 credit hours and a passing score on the Language Skills Test to take 3000/4000 level Journalism classes.

Term Hours: 13
Cum GPA: 3
Cum Hours: 47

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
UCC Humanities Group One			3	B	May select a course that meets the GRW requirement
SJMC Orientation	MMC 3003	Mc Orientation	0	Pass	
General Electives			3		
General Electives			3		
UCC Natural Science - Group One			3		(1) See endnotes Take Lecture with corresponding Lab
UCC Natural Science - Group One			1		(1) Lecture

Spring Term 2018

May use UCC Physical Science course to satisfy the Global Learning requirement. (2) See endnotes

May use UCC Humanities with Writing course to satisfy the Global Learning requirement. (2) See endnotes

Term Hours: 13
Cum GPA: 3
Cum Hours: 60

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
General Electives			3		
General Electives			3		
UCC Humanities - Group Two			3	B	May select a course that meets the GRW/GL requirement
UCC Natural Science - Physical Sciences			3		(1) See endnotes Take Lecture with corresponding Lab
UCC Natural Science - Physical Sciences			1		(1) See endnotes Take Lab with corresponding Lecture

Summer Term 2018

Students should be fully admitted at the end of Summer 2014 (their sixth semester at FIU).

Use this semester to catch up on coursework and/or satisfy the 9 credits summer requirement (if needed). (3) See endnotes

Cum GPA: 3
Cum Hours: 60

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Fall Term 2018

* Take the Language Skill Test by this semester.

Term Hours: 12
Cum GPA: 2.75
Cum Hours: 72

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
SJMC Core	MMC 3104C	Writing Strategies	3	B	
SJMC Core	VIC 3400	Vis Design Global Media	3	B	VIC 3400 may be used to satisfy the Global Learning requirement. (2) See endnotes
Area of Concentration			3		
Introduction to Journalism	JOU 3003	Intro To Journalism	3	B	

Spring Term 2019

MMC3303 may be used to satisfy the Global Learning requirement. (2) See endnotes

Term Hours: 15
Cum GPA: 2.75
Cum Hours: 87

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
SJMC Core	MMC 4200	Law And Ethics	3	B	
Media Management	MMC 3250	Media Management	3	B	
Departmental Electives			3		
Political Sciences			3		Any 3000/4000 level CPO, POS, URP, POT, PUP course
SJMC Core	MMC 3303	Global Media and Society	3	B	

Summer Term 2019

Use this semester to catch up on coursework and/or satisfy the 9 credits summer requirement (if needed). (3) See endnotes

Term Hours: 3
Cum GPA: 2.75
Cum Hours: 90

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
SJMC Core	RTV 3531	Multimedia Prod	3	B	

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Fall Term 2019					Term Hours: 15
					Cum GPA: 2.75
					Cum Hours: 105
Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
News Reporting Workshop	JOU 3117	News Reporting and Writing	3	B	
International Relations			3	B	
Departmental Electives			3		
Area of Concentration			3		
Business & Professional Communication			3		COM3110 or ECO3000/4000 level

Spring Term 2020					Term Hours: 12
Apply for Summer Graduation					Cum GPA: 2.75
					Cum Hours: 117
Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
Advanced News Writing	JOU 3300	Adv News Writing	3	B	
News Writing Workshop	VIC 4001	Visual Storytelling Production	3	B	
Area of Concentration			3		
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Summer Term 2020					Term Hours: 3
Use this semester to catch up on coursework and/or satisfy the 9 credits summer requirement (if needed). (3) See endnotes					Cum GPA: 2.75
					Cum Hours: 120
* Min. 2.75 cumul GPA for Jr/Sr classes.					
Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
Senior Multimedia Project	JOU 4341C	Sr Multimedia Prjt	3	B	

General Requirements

Critical Indicator is the minimum grade indicated in specific courses to demonstrate proficiency and progress in major. Earning less than the minimum grade is a trigger for a conversation with advisor

GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

See your Panther Degree Audit (PDA) for a real-time update on your academic career progress and additional

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information on University and major requirements at <http://my.fiu.edu>.

(1) UCC: Students must meet the University Core Curriculum (UCC) requirements. For a full list of UCC courses, see <http://undergrad.fiu.edu/advising/university-core-curriculum.html> or speak with your advisor. Students requesting to be transient must receive permission from the Dean of Undergraduate Education.

(2) Global Learning: Freshmen entering FIU Summer B 2010 or later must take at least two Global Learning (GL) designated courses at FIU. See <http://goglobal.fiu.edu>. Courses must be:

- 1 GL foundation course, which must be taken from the University Core Curriculum (UCC).

- 1 GL discipline-specific course (3000/4000 level)

(3) Summer Hours Requirement: All students entering FIU or any university within the State University System (SUS) of Florida with fewer than 60 credit hours are required to earn at least nine credit hours prior to graduation by attending one or more summer terms at a university in the SUS.

(4) Gordon Rule: All Gordon Rule courses (i.e., UCC Communication, UCC Mathematics, and Gordon Rule with Writing (GRW) courses) must be completed with a minimum grade of "C." This requirement must be fulfilled within the first 60 credits. Students are required to complete at least two Gordon Rule with Writing (GRW) designated courses.

(5) Foreign Language Requirement for Graduation (FLENT/FLEX): A student who did not complete two years of the same foreign language in high school or at a post-secondary institution must successfully complete 8-10 credit hours of instruction in one foreign language prior to graduation. Exceptions include appropriate CLEP, AP, IB, TOEFL, or transfer credit. Contact your advisor for more information.

(6) UCC Mathematics: Math courses are categorized into either Group One or Group Two. One math course from each group is required unless the first math taken is from Group Two and has an immediate prerequisite in Group One. In this case, students will take two Math courses from Group Two. However, one of the two Math courses must have a MAC, MGF, or MTG prefix.

School of Journalism and Mass Communication: Selected Major Requirements

Grades: All students must successfully pass MMC 3003 (Mass Communication Orientation), and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (this includes all transfer work, in addition to current FIU work).

All students in each track are expected to demonstrate proficiency in writing. Students are required to enroll in Writing Strategies for Reaching a Mass Audience (MMC 3104C) and receive a "C" or higher. Admission to MMC 3104C requires successful completion of a language skills test, no exceptions.

MMC 3104C is the prerequisite for the majority of courses in the SJMC, be sure to complete this requirement early so as not to fall behind.

Liberal Arts Requirements: (9 credits)

Students must select one upper division (3000-4000 level) course from each of the following subject areas:

Political Science (3 credits)

Economics or COM 3110 (3 credits)

International Relations (3 credits)

Area of Concentration: (12 credits)

Students must select a coherent series of four (12 credits semester hours) upper division courses (3000 or 4000 level) in an area chosen by the student in coordination with their advisor that would indicate a chosen area of focus outside of the SJMC.

Graduation Policy

To be eligible for graduation, a student must have a minimum 2.75 GPA in all SJMC courses as well as in the outside courses required by the program. The grade point average will be computed separately to maintain the

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2.75 standard in both categories.