

Undergraduate Major Map

Catalog Year 2020
College / School Communication, Arch + The Arts
Major Communications - BS
Track / Concentration Journalism
Career Path Four Year Freshman

Fall Term 2020

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

Term Hours: 13
Cum GPA: 2.85
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 Two			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 2021

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

Term Hours: 12
Cum GPA: 2.85
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 Social Science Group One			3		(8) POS 2041 or AMH 2020 recommended if Civic Literacy requirement is not met.
UCC Mathematics Group Two			3		(1) See end notes. CGS2518 or MTG 1204 or PHI2100 are

Summer Term 2021

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

Term GPA: 2.85
Term Hours: 6
Cum GPA: 2.85
Cum Hours: 34

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
General Electives			3		
UCC Humanities Group One			3		

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Fall Term 2021

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: 2.85
Cum Hours: 47

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
UCC Humanities - Group Two			3	B	May select a course that meets the GRW requirement
General Electives			3	Pass	
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 2022

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: 10
Cum GPA: 2.85
Cum Hours: 60

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

Summer Term 2022

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

Term Hours: 6
Cum GPA: 2.85
Cum Hours: 60

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
General Electives			3		
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Fall Term 2022

* Take the Language Skill Test by this semester.

Term Hours: 12
Cum GPA: 2.85
Cum Hours: 72

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
SCJ Orientation	MMC 3003	Journalism + Media Orient	0	B	
SCJ Core	MMC 3303	Global Media and Society	3	B	VIC 3400 may be used to satisfy the Global Learning requirement. (2) See endnotes
SCJ Core	MMC 3123	Writing Fundamentals	3		
SCJ Core	MMC 4200	Law And Ethics	3	B	
Introduction to Journalism	JOU 3003	Intro To Journalism	3		

Spring Term 2023

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

Term Hours: 12
Cum GPA: 2.85
Cum Hours: 87

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
Area of Concentration			3		
SCJ Core	VIC 3400	Vis Design Global Media	3		
SCJ Core	IDS 3309	How We Know What We Know	3		
General Electives			3		

Summer Term 2023

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

Term Hours: 12
Cum GPA: 2.85
Cum Hours: 90

Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
General Electives			3		
Area of Concentration			3		
News Reporting Workshop	JOU 3117	News Reporting and Writing	3		
Media Management	RTV 3531	Multimedia Prod	3		

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Fall Term 2023					Term Hours: 12
					Cum GPA: 2.85
					Cum Hours: 107
Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
Advanced News Writing	JOU 3300	Adv News Writing	3		
Area of Concentration			3		
News Writing Workshop	VIC 4001	News Visualization	3		COM3110 or ECO3000/4000 level
Intense Pods	MMC 3932C	Intense Pods	3		

Spring Term 2024					Term Hours: 12
Apply for Summer Graduation					Cum GPA: 2.85
					Cum Hours: 120
Course Group	Course Required	Course Description	Credit Hours	Critical Indicator	Course Notes
Senior Multimedia Project	JOU 4341C	Sr Multimedia Prjt	3	B	
Area of Concentration			3		
General Electives			3		
General Electives			3		

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 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

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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.

College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts
School of Communication + Journalism (SCJ):

Grades: All students must successfully pass MMC3003 (Journalism + Media Orientation), and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.85 (this includes all transfer work, in addition to current FIU work).

Writing Proficiency: All students are expected to demonstrate proficiency in writing. Students are required to enroll in a writing course and receive a "C" or higher.

Graduation Policy:

A student must have a minimum 2.75 GPA in all SCJ courses and outside courses required by the program to be eligible for graduation.

SCJ Track Electives Courses (15 credits; upper division 3000/4000 level):

Students must select 5 courses from the Department of Communication, Journalism and Media. The courses that taken to meet your major specific requirements cannot be used to satisfy this area. You may select from the following course prefixes: ADV, COM, DIG, JOU, MMC, PUR, RTV, SPC. Three(3) credits will be selected from enrollment in MMC3932C- Intense PODS. MMC3932C is divided into three sections for one credit. Please check the course catalog for possible pre-requisite requirements.

Area of Concentration: (12 credits)

Students must select four upper division level courses in one subject area outside of SCJ. Student should consult with their academic advisor when choosing the area of concentration. Students must earn C or higher in courses to be used toward the Area of Concentration.

Suggested Area of Concentration for Journalism: 3000/4000 level courses:

International Relations & Political Science: INR, CPO, POS, POT; Psychology: CLP, DEP, EXP, INP, PPE, PSY, SOP; History - AFH, AMH, ASH, EUH, HIS, LAH, WOH; Criminal Justice - CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJJ, CJL, DSC; Anthropology/Sociology: AND, ANG, ANT, SOC, SYA, SYD, SYG, SYO, SYP; Global and Sociocultural Studies: GEO3421, GEO3471, GEO3502, GIS3048; English: AML, CRW, ENC, ENG, ENL, FIL, LIT; English-Business Writing - ENCC3213, ENC3204, ENC3249, ENC4260; Art/Photography: ARH, ART, GRA, PGY; Religion: REL, ASN, HBR, etc. Students may also choose a variety of Business Minors and Certificates. Please consult with advisor before selecting a minor or certificate.