

# JOURNALISM B.A.

## General Degree Requirements

To earn a baccalaureate degree, all students must complete successfully, in addition to any other requirements, the University of Montana General Education Requirements. Please refer to the General Education Requirements page (<https://catalog.umat.edu/academics/general-education-requirements/>) for more information.

Additional requirements for graduation can be found on the Degree/Certificate Requirements for Graduation page (<https://catalog.umat.edu/academics/graduation-requirements/>).

Unless otherwise noted in individual program requirements, a minimum grade point average of 2.00 in all work attempted at the University of Montana-Missoula is required for graduation. Please see the Academic Policies and Procedures page (<https://catalog.umat.edu/academics/policies-procedures/>) for information on how your GPA is calculated.

Courses taken to satisfy the requirements of a major, minor, or certificate program must be completed with a grade of C- or better unless a higher grade is noted in the program requirements.

## BACHELOR OF ARTS - JOURNALISM

- This major requires a cumulative institutional GPA of 2.5.
- Students must complete at least 42 and no more than 48 JRNL credits.
- Students must complete at least 72 total credits outside of Journalism.
- The school strongly recommends students complete the first-year sequence of an approved language course or equivalent by exam before applying to the professional program.

## Course Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Lower-Division Core Requirements</b> <sup>1</sup>		
Complete all of the following courses:		
JRNL 100H	Journalism and American Society (Prerequisite for JRNL 270)	3
JRNL 170	Writing the News (Prerequisite for JRNL 270)	3
JRNL 257A	Beginning Video and Photojournalism (Prerequisite for JRNL 328 and 350)	3
JRNL 270	Reporting the News (Co-requisite for JRNL 328 and 350; prerequisite for all other UD JRNL courses )	3
<b>Upper-Division Core Requirements</b>		
Complete all of the following courses:		
JRNL 300	First Amendment and Media Law	3
JRNL 400	Ethics & Trends in News Media	3
JRNL 498	Supervised Internship	3
<b>Capstone</b> <sup>2</sup>		
Complete one of the following courses:		
JRNL 410	Native News Honors Project	3
JRNL 411	Reporting Native News	3
JRNL 412	Magazine Production and Design	3

JRNL 440	Advanced Audio	
JRNL 470	Campaign Coverage	
JRNL 471	Covering the Legislature	
JRNL 473	International Reporting	
JRNL 480	Reporting Video News	
JRNL 481	Advanced Video Photo and Directing	
JRNL 488	Student Documentary Unit	
<b>Upper-Division Electives</b>		
Complete five of the following courses:		15
JRNL 301X	Diversity in Media	
JRNL 328	Intermediate Photojournalism	
JRNL 330	News Editing	
JRNL 331	Digital and Interactive Reporting	
JRNL 332	Social Media and Audience	
JRNL 340	Intermediate Audio	
JRNL 342	Multimedia Sports Announcing and Writing	
JRNL 350	Intermediate Video Photography	
JRNL 351	Intermediate Video Directing	
JRNL 352	Intermediate Video Reporting and Producing	
JRNL 362	Feature Writing	
JRNL 370	Beat Reporting	
JRNL 383L	Hollywood and the War Correspondent	
JRNL 384	Documentary Film History	
JRNL 410	Native News Honors Project	
JRNL 411	Reporting Native News	
JRNL 412	Magazine Production and Design	
JRNL 414	Investigations	
JRNL 427	Advanced Photo & Multimedia Storytelling	
JRNL 428	Freelance Photography	
JRNL 430	Print & Web Editing & Design	
JRNL 433	Marketing Your Work	
JRNL 440	Advanced Audio	
JRNL 470	Campaign Coverage	
JRNL 471	Covering the Legislature	
JRNL 472	Opinion Writing	
JRNL 473	International Reporting	
JRNL 480	Reporting Video News	
JRNL 481	Advanced Video Photo and Directing	
JRNL 482	Advanced Video Storytelling	
JRNL 488	Student Documentary Unit	
JRNL 494	Pollner Seminar	

**Total Hours** **39**

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Students must maintain a 2.5 overall GPA and 2.5 GPA in the Journalism Lower-Division Core.

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Please see your advisor for additional courses that may satisfy this requirement.