

# College of Southern Maryland & West Virginia University



Associate of Arts in General Studies: Media Studies A.A. leading to  
Bachelor of Science in Journalism B.S.J.  
Suggested Plan of Study



College of Southern Maryland	Hours	WVU Equivalents	Hours
<b>Year One, 1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>			
ENG 1010	3	ENGL 101	3
FYS 1010	3	WVUE 191	3
MTH 1010 or MTH 1015 <sup>^</sup>	3	MATH 121 or STAT 211 <sup>^</sup> (Sub for STAT 111)	3
SCE 1010	3	PHYS 1TC	3
COM 1010	3	MDS 270	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	15		15
<b>Year One, 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester</b>			
COM 1020	3	MDIA 101 (Required)	3
ENG 1030	3	ENGL 102	3
SOC 1010	3	SOCA 101	3
ART 1200 or ART 1300 or ART 1500 or ART 1505 or ART 1515	3	ART 121 or ART 1TC or ART 232 or ART 234 or ART 1TC	3
BIO 1060 & BIO 1060L or GRY 1110 & GRY 1110L or GEO 1010 & GEO 1010L	4	BIOL 115 & BIOL 115L or SUST 207 & SUST 207L or GEOL 101 & GEOL 101L	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	16		16
<b>Year Two, 1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>			
COM 2300	3	MDIA 215S (Required)	3
ART 1200 or ART 1300 or ART 1500 or ART 1505 or ART 1515	3	ART 121 or ART 1TC or ART 232 or ART 234 or ART 1TC	3
ART 1200 or ART 1300 or ART 1500 or ART 1505 or ART 1515	3	ART 121 or ART 1TC or ART 232 or ART 234 or ART 1TC	3
COM 1250 or COM 1350	3	COMM 102 or COMM 316	3
**SPA 1010 (Humanities Elective)	3	SPAN 101 (Required)	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	15		15
<b>Year Two, 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester</b>			
DMP 1010	3	MDIA 1TC	3
COM 2500	3	COMM 203	3
POL 1010	3	POLS 102 (Required)	3
HST 1032	3	HIST 153 (Required)	3
**SPA 1020 (Elective)	3	SPAN 102 (Required)	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	15		15

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Year Three, 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester		Year Three, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	
MDIA 225S	3	MDIA 328	3
JRL 318S	3	JRL 319S	3
BCOR 350	3	JRL 300/400- Level Track Elective (1)	3
STAT 111 <sup>^</sup> or Elective	3	English Lit or Creative Writing	3
JRL 235S, JRL 236S, JRL 237S, JRL 238S, or JRL 240S (Skills Course 1)*	1	JRL Skills Course 3*	1
JRL Skills Course 2*	1	Minor Course (1)	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	14		16
Year Four, 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester		Year Four, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	
JRL 341S	3	JRL 411 or JRL 431 or JRL 459S or JRL 467S JRL 487S (JRL Capstone)	3
JRL 300/400- Level Track Elective (2)	3	JRL 458S	3
MDIA 427 or MDIA 455 or MDIA 401	3	ECON 200	3
Minor Course (2)	3	Minor Course (4)	3
Minor Course (3)	3	Minor Course (5)	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	15		15

Students who maintain a 2.0 GPA will be directly admitted into the Journalism program upon transferring to West Virginia University. Those students who have below a 2.0 GPA must have a C- or better in COMM 2300 (MDIA 215S) to be admitted into the Journalism program within the College of Creative Arts and Media upon transferring.

<sup>^</sup>Students are required to complete STAT 111 as a College of Creative Arts and Media requirement. Students who complete MTH 1015 at CSMD, will have completed the WVU equivalent of STAT 211, therefore, the STAT 111 requirement will be fulfilled as well as the Math Requirement at WVU. The student will need to complete an elective to meet the 120-hour WVU requirement.

\*In place of the THREE required, one-hour skills classes listed (ex: JRL 235S or JRL236S, JRL 237S, JRL 238S, JRL 240S) students in the COM at WVU, may opt to take ONE three-hour skills class approved by their advisor.

\*Some JRL Capstones require pre-reqs. Students must let their advisor know if they want to pursue an area of 'Specialization.' For example: If you want to pursue a broadcast/tv track and want to take JRL 487S as your capstone course (WVU News) you must take JRL 335S one semester, followed by JRL 386S the next semester; prior to the JRL 487S capstone your senior year.

\*\*Students who wish to pursue other foreign language options other than Spanish should select other "Humanities Elective" options as CSMD. Students will need to use the "Elective" slots to complete their 6-hours of foreign language studies at WVU.

Journalism majors are required to declare a minor. Students should work with their faculty advisor to complete this task.

Students transferring to West Virginia University with an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree will have satisfied the General Education Foundation requirements at WVU.

Students who have questions about admission into their intended program, GEF requirements, or any other issue relating to academics at West Virginia University should contact the Office of Undergraduate Education at WVU.

The above transfer articulation of credit between West Virginia University and College of Southern Maryland, is approved by the Dean, or the Dean's designee, and effective the date of the signature.

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Print Name

Signature

Date

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