

Westmoreland County Community College & West Virginia University

Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts A.A. leading to
Bachelor of Science in Journalism B.S.J.
Suggested Plan of Study



Westmoreland County Community College	Hours	WVU Equivalents	Hours
Year One, 1st Semester			
PDV 101: First Year Seminar	1	WVUE 191: First-Year Seminar	1
ENG 161: College Writing	3	ENGL 101: Composition and Rhetoric	3
CPT 150: Microcomputer Concepts	3	CS 1TC: Microcomputer Concepts	3
POL 155: American National Government	3	POLS 102: Intro American Government	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	3
TOTAL	13		13
Year One, 2nd Semester			
ENG 164: Advanced Composition	3	ENGL 102: Composition and Rhetoric	3
SPC 155: Effective Speech	3	MDS 270: Effective Public Speaking	3
*MTH 160: Introduction Statistics	3	STAT 211: Elementary Statistical Inference	3
Natural Science Elective	4	Natural Science Elective	4
PSY 160: Introduction to Psychology or SOC 155: Introduction to Sociology	3	PSYC 101: Introduction to Psychology or SOC 101: Introduction to Sociology	3
TOTAL	16		16
Year Two, 1st Semester			
ECN 255: Macroeconomics	3	ECON 202: Principles of Macroeconomics	3
Foreign Language 155	3	Foreign Language 101	3
ENG 240: Science Fiction ENG 255: Intro to Literature ENG 270: British Literature or ENG 276: African American Literature	3	ENGL 257: Science Fiction & Fantasy ENGL 132: Short Story & Novel ENGL 261: British Literature I or ENGL 154: African American Literature	3
SPC 156: Interpersonal Communication	3	COMM 202: Interpersonal Communication	3
HIS 256: Modern U.S. and PA History	3	HIST 153: Making Modern America: 1865-Present	3
TOTAL	15		15
Year Two, 2nd Semester			
ECN 256: Microeconomics	3	ECON 201: Principles of Microeconomics	3
Foreign Language 156	3	Foreign Language 102	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	3
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TOTAL	15		15

West Virginia University				
Summer Session		MDIA 215S (If offered Online)		3
Year Three, 1 st Semester		Year Three, 2 nd Semester		
MDIA 101: Media and Society	3	MDIA 328: Media Ethics and Law	3	
MDIA 225S: Media Tools & Applications	3	JRL 319S: Editing and Curation	3	
JRL 318S: Beat Reporting	3	JRL 300/400- Level Track Elective (1)	3	
JRL 235S, JRL 236S, JRL 237S, JRL 238S, or JRL 240S * (Skills Course 1)	1	BCOR 350: Principles of Marketing	3	
JRL Skills Course 2*	1	Minor Course (1)	3	
MDIA 215S (if not taken in the Summer) or General Elective	3	JRL Skills Course 3*	1	
TOTAL	14		16	
Year Four, 1 st Semester		Year Four, 2 nd Semester		
JRL 341S: Data and Design	3	JRL 411 or JRL 431S or JRL 459S or JRL 487S (JRL Capstone)	3	
JRL 300/400- Level Track Elective (2)	3	JRL 458S: Interactive Media & Audience Building	3	
MDIA 427 or MDIA 455 OR MDIA 401	3	Minor Course (4)	3	
Minor Course (2)	3	Minor Course (5)	3	
Minor Course (3)	3	General Elective	3	
TOTAL	15		15	

For this agreement, the following substitution will be made:

- ECN 256 is equivalent to ECON 201. It will be substituted for ECON 200.

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 MDIA 215S (online or first term at WVU) to be admitted into the Journalism program within the Reed College of Media upon transferring.

*Students are required to complete STAT 111 as a College of Media requirement. Students who complete MTH 160 at WCCC, 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, JRL 236S, 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.

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 Westmoreland County Community College, is approved by the Dean, or the Dean's designee, and effective the date of the signature.

Gina Martino Dahlia
Print Name


Signature

July 1, 2023
Date

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