Bachelor of Journalism

To be awarded the degree of Bachelor of Journalism, the candidate must complete 120 semester hours of coursework and must fulfill the University’s General Requirements for graduation, the Core Curriculum requirements, the college graduation requirements, the requirements and policies listed in Academic Policies and Procedures, and the requirements given in Degree Requirements Common to All Moody Majors, Major Requirements, and Special Requirements of the Major, below.

A candidate for a degree must have an officially declared major in the Moody College of Communication at the time the degree is awarded.

Core Curriculum

All students must complete the University’s Core Curriculum. In some cases, a course required for the Bachelor of Journalism may also be counted toward the core curriculum.

Degree Requirements Common to All Moody Majors

a. Six semester hours of coursework focusing on communication foundations: Communication 301E and 302E.

b. Three courses with a writing flag; one course with a quantitative reasoning flag; one course with a global cultures flag; one course with a cultural diversity in the United States flag; one course with an ethics flag; and one course with an independent inquiry flag. The same course cannot be used to satisfy the global cultures and cultural diversity flags even if the course carries both flags. Courses that fulfill flag requirements are identified in the Course Schedule. They may also be used to fulfill other degree requirements.

c. Students must satisfy a language and culture requirement in one of the following ways: (a) Demonstrating intermediate proficiency in a single language other than English; (b) Demonstrating beginning-level proficiency in a language other than English and taking one approved culture course in a culture that is relevant to the language. A list of approved culture and language courses and combinations is posted on the Student Advising website. An extensive language testing program is available at the University. Students with knowledge of a language other than English are encouraged to take appropriate tests both to earn as much credit as possible and to be placed at the proper level for further study. Students should consult with an academic advisor for information on testing.

d. Enough additional coursework to make a total of 120 semester hours.

Major Requirements

Journalism students must complete 42 semester hours in journalism, but no more than 48 journalism hours may be counted toward the degree. Students must complete the following coursework:

a. Foundations (Nine hours):
   i. Journalism 301F
   ii. Journalism 302F
   iii. Journalism 304F

b. Applications (Six hours):
   i. Journalism 310F
   ii. Journalism 311F

c. Specialized Skills, chosen from the following (nine hours):


d. Journalism 350F (three hours)

e. Concepts Courses, chosen from the following (three hours):

f. Three additional hours of Specialized Skills or Concept Courses, chosen from the lists above.

g. Professional Practices, chosen from the following (six hours):

h. Three additional hours of journalism coursework.

Special Requirements of the Major

Students are required to take Journalism 302F, 304F, 310F, and 311F in residence.

Journalism 310F and 311F require a grade of at least B-.

Because prerequisites are subject to change, students should consult the Course Schedule before registering.