Accelerated Bachelor to Master of Arts in Communication Arts - Multimedia - Journalism Track

School of Media and Design

PROGRAM OVERVIEW
The Accelerated Bachelor’s to Master’s (A.B.M.) program enables completion of a combined undergraduate and graduate degree in less time (minimum 5 years). The A.B.M. is offered for all three Communication Arts concentrations: Media and Culture, Multimedia, and Strategic and Corporate Communication.

QUICK FACTS
Students are able to finish their two degrees in 152 hours rather than the 158 required of a traditional consecutive undergraduate and a graduate program. An accelerated program results in a lower cost as well as time-savings for students because they are allowed to take up to 9 hours of graduate courses in their fourth year as part of the banded tuition.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Students must be enrolled in one of the three Communication Arts concentrations: Media and Culture, Multimedia, and Strategic and Corporate Communication. Students may apply for the A.B.M. program in the beginning of their Junior year, after completing 62 undergraduate credit hours. Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher will automatically be considered eligible for admission to graduate school.

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## Freshman Year

### Fall
- COMM 1100: Orientation Comm. Arts (1 hour)
- COMM 1301: Intro to Mass Comm. (3 hours)
- COMM 1311: Public Speaking (3 hours)
- DWHP 1200: Dimensions of Wellness (2 hours)
- ENGL 1311: Composition I (3 hours)
- PE Activity Course (1 hour)
- RELS 1305, 1315, 1325 or 1335 (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 16**

### Spring
- COMM 1305: Digital Literacy (3 hours)
- ENGL 1312: Composition II (3 hours)
- MATH 1304, 1306 or higher (3 hours)
- PHIL 1381: Introduction to Philosophy (3 hours)
- Social Science (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 15**

## Sophomore Year

### Fall
- COMM 2315: Writing for the Media (3 hours)
- COMM 2354: Journalism I (3 hours)
- Science with Lab (4 hours)
- ENGL 2310: World Literature Studies (3 hours)
- Modern Language I (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 16**

### Spring
- COMM 3354: Journalism II (Spring Only) (3 hours)
- ENGL 2365: Professional and Technical Comm. (3 hours)
- Fine Arts (3 hours)
- HIST 1311, 1312, 1321 or 1322 (3 hours)
- Modern Language II (3 hours)
- COMM Arts Elective or General Elective (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 18**

## Junior Year

### Fall
- COMM 3310: Theories of Communication (3 hours)
- COMM 3355: Publications Practicum
- or COMM 3390: Radio Practicum
- or COMM 3395: Television Practicum (3 hours)
- COMM 2320: Audio Production I (3 hours)
- COMM 3317: Diversity in the Media (3 hours)
- RELS or PHIL (3000/4000) (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 16**

### Spring
- COMM 3320: Aesthetics of Vision and Sound (3 hours)
- COMM 3332: Rhetorical Criticism (3 hours)
- COMM 3353: Broadcast Journalism (3 hours)
- COMM Arts Elective or General Elective (3 hours)
- ENGL 3365: Multimedia Design and Production (3 hours)
- COMM 4315: Media Ethics (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 18**

## Senior Year

### Summer
- COMM 6308: Writing and Research Technique (10 weeks) (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 3**

### Fall
- COMM 3381: Digital Film Production I (3 hours)
- COMM 4348: Journalism History (3 hours)
- COMM 4332: Law and the Media (3 hours)
- COMM 4372: Interpersonal Communication (3 hours)
- COMM 6307: Intro to Grad Studies (16 weeks)
- (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 15**

### Spring
- COMM 4343: Convergent Media (3 hours)
- COMM 4347: Social Media (3 hours)
- COMM 4349: Intro to Creative Publishing (3 hours)
- COMM 4335: News and Feature Editing
- or COMM 4399: Selected Topics (3 hours)
- COMM 6301: Communication Theory (3 hours)

**Total Hours: 15**
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DEGREE PLAN

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GRADUATE PROGRAM YEAR

Summer
COMM Elective (3 hours)
COMM Elective (3 hours)
Total Hours: 6

Fall
COMM 6309: Communication Research Methods (3 hours)
COMM 6345: Practicum in Specialized Area of Study (8 weeks) (3 hours)
COMM Multimedia Elective (8 weeks) (3 hours)
Total Hours: 9

Spring
COMM Multimedia Elective (8 weeks) (3 hours)
COMM 63CS1 Communications Capstone or COMM 63TR Thesis (3 hours)
Total Hours: 6

152 hours needed to complete the A.B.M. in Communication Arts with a Multimedia concentration and Journalism track.

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