

West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2012-2013

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NAME: _____ WT ID: _____ DATE: _____

Journalism—8-12 Certification
Department of Communication
FAC 103 651-2798

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS ♦		HRS	
Specific course(s) required for this major are listed in the next section.			
Communication (10)			
ENGL 1301 (ENG 101); 1302* (ENG 102) or 2311* (ENG 270) (Grade of "C" or better required)	6		
Communication (11)			
COMM 1315 (SCOM 101, 1315), 1318 (SCOM 103, 1318), or 1321 (SCOM 201, 1321) (Grade of "C" or better required)	3		
Mathematics (20)			
MATH 1314* (110), 1324* (115), 1332**/**, 2412*, or 2413*	3		
Natural Sciences (30)			
Take two courses from: ♦			
PSES 1301 (216), 1307 (112); ANSC 1319 (121); BIOL 1406 (101) or 1408, 1407* (102) or 1409*, 1411 (122), 1413 (121); CHEM 1405* (121), 1411* (101), 1412* (102); GEOL 1401 (GESC 111) or 1403 (GEOL 101), 1402 (GESC 112), 1404 (GEOL 102); PHYS 1401* (101), 1402* (102), 1411, 1412, 2425* (210), 2426* (211)	6-8		
Humanities (40-41)			
ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311 (110), 2323, 2372 (210); MCOM 1307*** (MC 107); PHIL 1301 (101), 2374 (204); SPAN 2312**/**** (207) or SPAN 2315*/****	3		
Choose 1			
Visual and Performing Arts (50)			
HUMA 1315 (FA 101); ARTS 1303 (ART 151), ARTS 1304 (ART 152); DANC 2303; MUSI 1306 (MUS 101) or 1208 and 1209; or THRE 1310 (105)	3		
Choose 1			
Social and Behavioral Sciences (60)			
HIST 1301 (201) or 1303; 1302 or 1304; 2301; 2381	6		
Choose 2			
Social and Behavioral Sciences (70)			
POSC 2305 (101) or 2370; 2306 (102)	6		
Social and Behavioral Sciences (80)			
AGBE 2317 (213), ANTH 2351 (201); CRIJ 1301 (CJ 105); ECON 2301 (ECO 201), 2302 (ECO 202), 2371; GEOG 1302 (202); PSYC 2301 (PSY 201); COMM 2377 (SCOM 255, 2377); SOCI 1301 (201); or SOCW 2361 (SOWK 201)	3		
Choose 1			
Institutionally Designated Option (90)			
ANSC 2370; CIDM 1105, 1301 (CIS, IDM 1301), 1315 (CIS, IDM 1315), 2345; CS 1301; IDS 1071; PHIL 2303 (203)	1-3		
JOURNALISM—ALL-LEVEL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: 43 HOURS			
A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.			
MASS COMMUNICATION AND BROADCAST JOURNALISM EMPHASIS REQUIREMENTS: 46 HOURS			
A 2.5 combined GPA is required.			
MASS COMMUNICATION: 28 HOURS			
MCOM 2310 (4310) Media Design	3		
MCOM 2315 (MC 102) Writing for the Media	3		
MCOM 2376 (NEW) Mass Communication Theory	3		
MCOM 3302 (MC 302) Journalism Research	3		
MCOM 3312 (MC 312) Advertising Techniques OR MCOM 3335* (MC 335) Television Reporting	3		
MCOM 3305* (MC 305) New Media	3		
MCOM 3327 (MC 327) Mass Media Law	3		

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MCOM 3379 (MC 379) Media Management OR MCOM 2327 (MC 250) Advertising Principles	3		
MCOM 4191* Portfolio & Professional Development	1		
MCOM 4302* (MC 402) Mass Communication Ethics	3		
BROADCAST JOURNALISM EMPHASIS: 18 HOURS			
Take 18 hours from:			
MCOM 1319 (MC 212) Digital Photography			
MCOM 2173 (NEW) Prairie Practicum (can be repeated)	1,1,1		
MCOM 2327 (MC 250) Advertising Principles			
MCOM 2375, 2375L (MC 275) Multi-platform Publishing			
MCOM 3301 (MC 301) Feature Writing			
MCOM 3309*, 3309L (MC 201, MCOM 2309) News Editing & Reporting		18	
MCOM 3310 (MC 310) Movies as Mass Medium			
MCOM 3331 (MC 331) Media History			
MCOM 3335* (MC 335) TV Reporting/Anchoring			
MCOM 3350 (MC 350) Public Relations and Publicity			
MCOM 4390* (MC 499) Senior Project			
MCOM 4398 (MC 495) Media Internship			
MCOM Elective (by advisement)			
EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: 27 HOURS			
A 2.5 combined GPA is required.			
EDPD 3340* (340) Educational Foundations (Grade of "B" or better required in either EDPD 3340 or EPSY 3341)	3		
EDPD 4340* (440) Classroom Management	3		
EDRD 4386* (486) Secondary Reading in Content Area	3		
EDSE 4320* (420) Teaching in Secondary School	3		
EDSE 4340* (440) Student Teaching—Secondary	3		
EDSE 4341* (441) Student Teaching—Secondary	3		
EDT 3343 Educational Technology	3		
EPSY 3341* (341) Educational Psychology (Grade of "B" or better required in either EDPD 3340 or EPSY 3341)	3		
EPSY 3350 (350) Children with Special Needs	3		
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS: 6 HOURS OPTION			
Six hours chosen from biology, chemistry, geology, geosciences, mathematics, physics and natural sciences.	6		
TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE		121-123	

♦ A minimum of 42 hours from the core curriculum is required. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core-curriculum requirements when options are available. Ideally, these courses should be taken during the first two years of enrollment.

* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

** While MATH 1332 will fulfill core math requirements, it will NOT prepare students for math beyond MATH 1332 such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316), Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412), etc.

*** MCOM 1307 is recommended. It is a prerequisite for MCOM 3305 and 3335.

**** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in French or German.
 NOTE: At least 39 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU, and 30 of the final 36 hours counted toward the degree must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of 60 semester hours in mass communication, six hours in religion and six hours in physical education (PHED) can be counted toward a degree.

Note: This is NOT a degree plan. Before completion of 60 hours, students are allowed and encouraged to request an official degree plan in the office of the dean of the Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities, located in Mary Moody Northen Hall, Room 161 (or call 651-2777). After completing 60 hours, students will not be allowed to progress without requesting a degree plan.