JOURNALISM MAJOR

The journalism major prepares reporters to serve the public interest in the digital age armed with strong practical skills, a deep grounding in journalism history and ethics, and sharp critical thinking. By synthesizing theory and practice, our graduates will be ready to serve our rapidly evolving media landscape. Classes are taught by a mix of full-time Fordham professors and media professionals from the New York area. Our faculty, who come from such organizations as the New York Times, CBS News, MTV and Sports Illustrated, help our students by bringing real-world experience to the classroom, making sure our graduates are ready to compete in the job market.

The major moves students through introductory, intermediate, and advanced multimedia reporting classes to hone their skills and bring them to a professional level in reporting, writing, and creating digital content. Majors in journalism become grounded in the profession through one required course in ethics, and one course in the "social construction of journalism"—Media Law, Journalism History, or Sociology of News. Journalism majors are also required to take a course in social media to learn how to use such sites as Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for gathering and disseminating news.

Requirements

The journalism (JOUR) major requires eleven courses.

Course  Title                                                                 Credits
COMM 1000 Fundamentals of Communication and Media Studies 1 3
JOUR 1701 Introduction to Multimedia Journalism With Lab 4
JOUR 2711 Intermediate Multimedia Reporting 4
One course in Journalism Ethics 4
One course in Journalism Law, Policy, or History 4
One course in Social Media 4
Three courses in Intermediate/Advanced Journalism Reporting/ Writing 12
Two elective courses 2 8

1 COMM 1010 Introduction to Communication and Media Studies may be substituted if taken prior to Spring 2017.
2 Any course with the JOUR subject code or the JOUR attribute code may fulfill this requirement.

Journalism Ethics

Courses in this group have the JETH attribute.

Course  Title                                                                 Credits
COMC 3370 Ethical Issues in Media 4
COMC 4360 Communication Ethics and the Public Sphere 4
COMC 4370 Ethical Controversies in 21st Century Media 4
DETM 4480 Digital Media and Public Responsibility 4
JOUR 4750 Values in the News 4
JOUR 4770 Media Law and Journalism Ethics 4

Journalism Law, Policy, or History

Courses in this group have the JPLH attribute.

Course  Title                                                                 Credits
COMC 3260 Media, Regulation, and the Public Interest 4
COMC 3350 Media Law 4
COMC 3378 Media, Millennials, and Civic Discourse 4
COMC 4170 Dissent and Disinformation 4
COMC 4340 Freedom of Expression 4
JOUR 1761 The Power of News 3
JOUR 3760 The Journalist and the Law 4
JOUR 3763 The Murrow Years: 1938-65 4
JOUR 3764 Television News and Today’s World 4
JOUR 3765 Television News 4
JOUR 3769 History of Television and Radio News 4
JOUR 4766 Television News Innovators 4
JOUR 4767 History of Women’s Magazines 4
JOUR 4770 Media Law and Journalism Ethics 4

Social Media

Courses in this group have the JSME attribute.

Course  Title                                                                 Credits
CMBU 4453 Social Media 3
DETM 3476 Social Media 4
JOUR 3776 Social Media for Journalists 4

Intermediate/Advanced Journalism Reporting/ Writing

Any JOUR course numbered x71x or x72x (i.e., any course where the second two digits are 71 or 72) fulfills this requirement, in addition to any other course on this list. JOUR 1701 Introduction to Multimedia Journalism With Lab is a prerequisite for any course on this list. At least one 3000-level course must be completed prior to enrolling in a 4000-level course on this list.

Courses in this group have the JWRI attribute.

Course  Title                                                                 Credits
JOUR 2711 Intermediate Multimedia Reporting 4
JOUR 2712 Intermediate Print Reporting 4
JOUR 2714 Radio and Audio Reporting 4
JOUR 2722 Intermediate Feature Writing 4
JOUR 2725 Writing Workshop 4
JOUR 2786 Sports Writing and Reporting 4
JOUR 2789 Sports Broadcasting 4
JOUR 3715 Writing for Broadcast News 4
JOUR 3716 Intermediate Television Production 4
JOUR 3717 Online Journalism 4
JOUR 3718 On-Air Reporting 4
JOUR 3719 Data Journalism 4
JOUR 3723 Interviews and Profiles 4
JOUR 3724 First Person Journalism 4
JOUR 3725 Profile and Biography 4
JOUR 3727 Writing for Magazines 4
JOUR 3728 Special Reporting: In-Depth Reporting 4

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Availability

The major in journalism is available at Fordham College at Rose Hill (FCRH) and Fordham College at Lincoln Center (FCLC).

**Fordham College at Rose Hill students:** The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

**Fordham College at Lincoln Center students:** The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

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