

JOURNALISM MINOR

for the Minor in Journalism

The Minor in Journalism allows a student to explore the role of journalism in a democracy and to assess how journalism is meeting its social responsibility to engage, enlighten and empower citizens. The minor equips students to participate in the ever-changing world of media delivery and consumption.

Fundamental journalistic skills—identifying questions, obtaining answers, then communicating them effectively—are huge advantages in virtually every profession. Students of all majors can learn how to find engaging topics, locate and interview key sources, analyze and visualize important data, and present material impactfully in written, audio/visual, and interactive forms across media platforms. Students explore introductory principles in four courses in writing, history, ethics, and law, which also may fulfill General Education requirements, then choose at least two elective courses, which again may meet General Education requirements, from a list that includes research and practical courses.

Programs in Journalism

Undergraduate Programs:

- majors: Journalism, BS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/media/journalism-bs/>)
- minors: Journalism (p. 1) | Media (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/media/minors/media/>) | Public Relations (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/media/minors/public-relations/>)

Graduate Programs:

- degrees:
 - Journalism, MS (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/media/journalism-ms/>)

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Code	Title	Hours
JOUR 200	Introduction to Journalism	3
JOUR 205	History of American Journalism	3
JOUR 250	Journalism Ethics & Diversity	3
JOUR 311	Media Law	3
Select two courses from the following:		6-7
JOUR 210	Newsgathering Across Platforms ¹	
JOUR 220	News Editing	
JOUR 360	Working with the Press	
JOUR 361	Classics of Sports Journalism	
JOUR 450	Media and Public Opinion	
JOUR 451	Research Methods in Journalism ²	
JOUR 452	Great Books of Journalism	
JOUR 453	Crisis Communications	
JOUR 454	Propaganda & the News Media	
JOUR 470	International Reporting	
JOUR 471	Science Journalism	
JOUR 482	Immersion Journalism	

JOUR 483	Investigative Journalism	Total Hours
		18-19

¹ JOUR 200 is a prerequisite for JOUR 210.

² JOUR 200 and Quantitative Reasoning I are prerequisites for JOUR 451.

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