

JOURNALISM, MS

Master of Science in Journalism ¹

First Year

Fall Semester	Hours
JOUR 501 Multimedia Storytelling	4
JOUR 505 Journalism Proseminar	4
Electives – minimum of 4 hours at the JOUR 4– level ²	4
Semester Hours	12
Spring Semester	
JOUR 500 Current Issues in Journalism	4
JOUR 515 Master's Project (Section A)	4
Electives – minimum of two JOUR 4– courses ²	8
Semester Hours	16
Summer Semester	
JOUR 515 Master's Project (Section B)	4
Semester Hours	4
Total Hours:	32

¹ ¹ Undergraduates pursuing a B.S. in Journalism at Illinois are eligible to apply for the M.S. under a joint B.S./M.S. degree program. The B.S./M.S. requires a greater number of credit hours and more theoretical courses than the B.S./M.J. program. Students can apply for the B.S./M.S. program in the first semester of their junior year and, once admitted, are encouraged to select their remaining undergraduate journalism elective courses at the 200- and 300-level from courses covering skills other than those they emphasized in completing their undergraduate degree. As graduate students, they will enroll in a minimum of four advanced electives at the 400- and 500-levels, in addition to the required graduate courses JOUR 500, 505, and 515 (sections A and B). Electives may be in areas inside or outside Journalism to allow them to pursue a topical specialization. Those electives would require the approval of the Director of Graduate Studies. The B.S./M.S. requires a minimum of 16 hours of 500-level coursework, a 3.0 or higher GPA, and additional details and requirements are available on the department's website and in the Graduate College Handbook (<https://grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook>).

² The Director of Graduate Studies must approve any non-Journalism courses chosen as electives.

Other Requirements ¹

Other requirements may overlap

Minimum 500-level Hours Required 16

Overall:

Minimum GPA: 3.0

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