JOURNALISM, MS

Master of Science in Journalism ¹

First Year

Fall Semester

JOUR 501  Multimedia Storytelling  4
JOUR 505  Journalism Proseminar  4
Electives -- minimum of 4 hours at the JOUR 4- level²  4

Semester Hours  12

Spring Semester

JOUR 500  Current Issues in Journalism  4
JOUR 515  Master's Project  4
(Section A)
Electives -- minimum of two JOUR 4- courses²  8

Semester Hours  16

Summer Semester

JOUR 515  Master's Project  4
(Section B)

Semester Hours  4

Total Hours:  32

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

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