

2022–23 Journalism–Advertising–Public Relations (Recording Industry) Academic Map

School of Journalism and Strategic Media
Middle Tennessee State University • Murfreesboro



An academic map is a suggested four-year schedule of courses based on degree requirements in the undergraduate catalog. This sample schedule serves as a general guideline to help build a full schedule each term. Milestones, courses, and special requirements necessary for timely progress to complete a major are designated to keep you on track to graduate in four years. **Missing milestones could delay your program.**

This map is not a substitute for academic advisement—contact your advisor if you have any questions about scheduling or about your degree requirements. Also see the current undergraduate catalog (catalog.mtsu.edu) for a complete list of requirements and electives. *Note: Requirements are continually under revision, and there is no guarantee they will not be changed or revoked; contact the department and/or program area for current information.*

You may choose to attend a summer term to reduce your load during fall or spring terms but still stay on track to graduate in four years (see back). NOTE: Learning Support courses will alter the sequences on this map.

Suggested Fall/Spring Four-Year Schedule

FRESHMAN FALL			FRESHMAN SPRING		
Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes	Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes
ENGL 1010 (Comm)	3	Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710	ENGL 1020 (Comm)	3	Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710
MATH (Math)	3		HIST 2010, 2020, 2030, 2040, or 2050	3	
JOUR/EMC/RIM 1020	3	Must earn C or higher	Soc/Beh Sci	3	
Elective	3		Nat Sci (Rubric 1)	4	
Hum/FA (Rubric 1)	3		COMM 2200 (Comm)	3	
SUBTOTAL	15		SUBTOTAL	16	
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
ENGL 2020, ENGL 2030, or HUM 2610 (Hum/FA)	3		PR 2040	3	Conceptual Requirement
JOUR 2710	3	Prereq: C or higher in ENGL 1010 and 1020	RIM 3600	3	
HIST 2010, 2020, 2030, 2040, or 2050	3		RIM 3000	3	
Nat Sci (Rubric 2)	4		Minor course	3	
Minor course/elective	3		JOUR 2720	3	
SUBTOTAL	16		SUBTOTAL	15	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
Minor course	3		JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor
Hum/FA (Rubric 2)	3		JOUR/RIM conceptual requirement	3	
PR 3360	3		VCOM 2950	3	
JOUR 3090 or RIM 3780	3		Elective	2	
Minor course	3		Minor course	3	
SUBTOTAL	15		SUBTOTAL	14	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
RIM 3700	3	Conceptual requirement	PR 4740	3	
JOUR 3660	3		JOUR 3580 or JOUR 4000	1–3	Practicum/Internship
JOUR 4250	3		Minor course	3	
PR 3380	3		JOUR/RIM conceptual requirement	3	
PR 3400	3		Professional Topics requirement	3	
JOUR 4880	1				
SUBTOTAL	16		SUBTOTAL	13–15	

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TOTAL HOURS IN PROGRAM: 120

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Suggested Fall/Spring/Summer Four-Year Schedule

Refer to www.mtsu.edu/financial-aid/scholarships/ for information regarding use of the Lottery Scholarship for the summer term.

FRESHMAN FALL			FRESHMAN SPRING		
Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes	Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes
ENGL 1010 (Comm)	3	Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710	ENGL 1020 (Comm)	3	Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710
MATH (Math)	3		HIST 2010, 2020, 2030, 2040, or 2050	3	
JOUR/EMC/RIM 1020 (Soc/Beh Sci)	3	Must earn C or higher	Minor course	3	
Elective	3		Nat Sci (Rubric 1)	4	
SUBTOTAL	12		SUBTOTAL	13	
FRESHMAN SUMMER					
Hum/FA (Rubric 1)	3		COMM 2200 (Comm)	3	
SUBTOTAL	3		SUBTOTAL	3	
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
ENGL 2020, ENGL 2030, or HUM 2610 (Hum/FA)	3		PR 2040	3	Conceptual Requirement
JOUR 2710	3	Prereq: C or higher in ENGL 1010 and 1020	RIM 3600	3	
HIST 2010, 2020, 2030, 2040, or 2050	3		RIM 3000	3	
Nat Sci (Rubric 2)	4		JOUR 2720	3	
SUBTOTAL	13		SUBTOTAL	12	
SOPHOMORE SUMMER					
Minor course/elective	3		Soc/Beh Sci	3	
SUBTOTAL	3		SUBTOTAL	3	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
Minor course	3		JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor
Hum/FA (Rubric 2)	3		JOUR/RIM conceptual requirement	3	
PR 3360	3		VCOM 2950	3	
JOUR 3090 or RIM 3780	3		Minor course	3	
SUBTOTAL	12		SUBTOTAL	12	
JUNIOR SUMMER					
Minor course	3		Minor course	3	
SUBTOTAL	3		SUBTOTAL	3	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
RIM 3700	3	Conceptual requirement	PR 4740	3	
JOUR 3660	3		JOUR 3580 or JOUR 4000	1–3	Practicum/Internship
Elective	2		JOUR 4250	3	
PR 3380	3		JOUR/RIM conceptual requirement	3	
PR 3400	3		Professional Topics requirement	3	
JOUR 4880	1				
SUBTOTAL	15		SUBTOTAL	13–15	
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