

# 2024–25 Journalism 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](http://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.*



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) for more information about the new True Blue Core (TBC).

## Suggested Fall/Spring Four-Year Schedule

FRESHMAN FALL			FRESHMAN SPRING		
Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes	Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes
Written Communication	3	TBC; Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710*	Information Literacy	3	TBC; Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710*
Quantitative Literacy	3		History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
JOUR/EMC/RIM 1020	3	TBC; Major	Elective	3	
Elective	3		Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery
Non-Written Communication	3	TBC	Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
Creativity and Cultural Expression Literature	3	TBC	JOUR 3090	3	
JOUR 2710	3	Prereq: C or higher in ENGL 1010 and 1020	JOUR 2720	3	
Minor course	3	See advisor	Minor course	3	
Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	JOUR 3430	3	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
Elective	3		JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor
Minor course	3		JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor
History and Civic Learning	3		JOUR 4850	3	
JOUR 4440	3		Minor course	3	
JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor	JOUR professional topic	3	See advisor
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
JOUR professional topic	3	See advisor	JOUR professional topic	3	See advisor
Minor course	3		JOUR 3580 or JOUR 4000	1	
JOUR 4250	3		Elective	3	
JOUR 4880	1		JOUR professional topic	3	
Elective	2		Minor or elective course	3	
Elective	3	See advisor			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	
<b>Note: Students in the School of Journalism and Strategic Media (SOJSM) must complete 50 hours in liberal arts and sciences including True Blue Core requirements and one minor from outside SOJSM.</b>					
<b>TOTAL HOURS IN PROGRAM: 120</b>					

# Journalism Suggested Fall/Spring/Summer Four-Year Schedule

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. Refer to [www.mtsu.edu/financial-aid/scholarships](http://www.mtsu.edu/financial-aid/scholarships) for information regarding use of the Lottery Scholarship for the summer term.

**NOTE:** Learning Support courses will alter the sequences on this map.

FRESHMAN FALL			FRESHMAN SPRING		
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Written Communication	3	TBC; Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710*	Information Literacy	3	TBC; Must earn C or higher for JOUR 2710*
Quantitative Literacy	3	TBC	History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
JOUR/EMC/RIM 1020	3	TBC; Major	Elective	3	See advisor
Non-Written Communication	3	TBC	Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	
FRESHMAN SUMMER					
Elective	3		Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
Creativity and Cultural Expression Literature	3	TBC	JOUR 3090	3	
JOUR 2710	3	Prereq: C or higher in ENGL 1010 and 1020	JOUR 3430	3	
JOUR 2720	3		Minor course	3	
Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	
SOPHOMORE SUMMER					
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Minor course	3	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
Elective	3		JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor
JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor	JOUR conceptual requirement	3	See advisor
History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	JOUR 4850	3	
JOUR 4440	3		JOUR professional topic	3	See advisor
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	
JUNIOR SUMMER					
Minor course	3		Minor course	3	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
JOUR professional topic	3	See advisor	JOUR professional topic	3	See advisor
Minor course	3		JOUR 3580 or JOUR 4000	1	
JOUR 4250	3		Elective	3	
JOUR 4880	1		JOUR professional topic	3	
Elective	2		Minor or elective course	3	
Elective	3	See advisor			
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