

JOURNALISM - MINOR

College of Communication and Information

School of Media and Journalism
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About This Program

Whether using a camera, a microphone, a smartphone or a laptop, the journalism minor helps students develop critical skills that equip them for storytelling in all its forms. With a grounding in ethics and an understanding of media's role in democratic society, students learn the value of critical thinking, information gathering and the ability to make sense of it for others.

Contact Information

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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Kent Campus

Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor's degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Minor requirements:		
EMAT 10310 or MDJ 20011	MY STORY ON THE WEB PRODUCTION FUNDAMENTALS	3
MDJ 26001	WRITING FOR MEDIA	3
MDJ 26005	MULTIMEDIA JOURNALISM	3
MDJ 26007 or MDJ 26008	REPORTING BROADCAST REPORTING	3
Media and Journalism (MDJ) elective, choose from the following:		3
MDJ 36010	INTERVIEWING AND DATA FOR JOURNALISTS	
MDJ 36018	FEATURE WRITING	
MDJ 36020	AUDIO STORYTELLING AND PODCASTING I	
MDJ 33024	BROADCAST PERFORMANCE	
MDJ 36005	EDITING	
MDJ 36008	FREELANCE JOURNALISM	
MDJ 40010	ETHICS AND ISSUES IN MEDIA AND JOURNALISM (WIC)	
MDJ 46003	PRODUCING TELEVISION NEWS	
MDJ 46395	SELECTED TOPICS IN JOURNALISM	
Additional Elective, choose from the following: ¹		3
CCI 45091	SEMINAR IN MEDIA AND MOVEMENTS (ELR)	
EMAT 40999	INTERDISCIPLINARY PROJECTS (ELR)	

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VCD 37000	VISUAL DESIGN FOR MEDIA

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18

¹ Students must choose a course not already completed from the MDJ Elective list.

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Create news and information content to cover the diversity of groups in a global society and reflect appreciation for individual differences.
2. Develop skills in planning, researching, gathering, writing and producing audience-focused news and information content.
3. Critically evaluate news and information sources and demonstrate an understanding of the impact media messages have on audiences and society.