# **JOURNALISM**



NAME:		
ENUMBER:		

## **GENERAL EDUCATION**

## LANGUAGE: 9 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
ENG 1001G: Comp & Lang	3		
ENG 1002G: Comp & Lit	3		
CMN 1310G: Intro to Speech	3		

## MATH: 3 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester

## **CULTURAL DIVERSITY**

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Exempt?	Yes	No	
Course	Hours	Grade	Semester

## FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES: 9 HRS

Туре	Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
Fine Art				
Humanity				
Fine Art/ Humanity				

## SCIENTIFIC AWARENESS: 7 HRS

Туре	Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
Bio Science				
Phys Science				
Lab				

## SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES: 9 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
JOU 2001G: Journalism & Democracy	3		

SENIOR SEM: Requirement met by major capstone class

## JOURNALISM MAJOR (FA23) #

## **JOURNALISM CORE: 39 HRS**

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
JOU 1401: Journalism Forum	1		
JOU 2001G: Journalism & Democracy	3		
JOU 2101: News Reporting & Writing*	3		
JOU 2902: Copy Editing & Design	3		
JOU 2950: Intro to Visual Communication	3		
JOU 3000: Advanced Reporting*	3		
JOU 3002: Intro to Multimedia JOU	3		
JOU 3401: Journalism Practicum*	1		
JOU 3610: Broadcast News*	3		
JOU 3750: Social Media Engagement	3		
JOU 3940: History of American JOU	3		
JOU 3970: Race, Gender, & the Media*	3		
JOU 4401: Journalism Portfolio*	1		
JOU 4420: Communication Law & Ethics	3		
JOU 4730: Journalism Capstone Seminar*	3		

## JOURNALISM OPTION ELECTIVES: 15 HRS

Students may select any JOU course as an elective, except JOU 1000G.

Elective Course	Hours	Grade	Semester

## LIBERAL ARTS REQUIRED COURSEWORK: 6 HRS

Elective Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
PLS 3603: State and Local Government	3		
ECON or SOC:	3		

<sup>\*</sup>Course has pre-reqs. Please see catalog for details.

# A minimum grade of "C" is required for all JOU courses and a minimum GPA of 2.5 is required for all JOU coursework.

#### WHAT WILL I STUDY?

The Journalism major teaches students the skills necessary to be successful regardless of which branch of the profession they choose to enter. Journalism students learn and practice news writing and editing for multiple platforms, multimedia production, design, and photojournalism. They also learn to navigate the ever-changing social media landscape to promote their own work or crowd source a story. Students are able to cover sports, design publications, report breaking news and complete longer investigative projects for print, broadcast and online media.

Students learn to think critically, produce creatively, write precisely, process information quickly, interview thoughtfully, manage people, and develop an excellent work ethic.

## WHAT CAREERS CAN I PURSUE?

The skills required of a journalist are the foundation for any job that requires researching, talking to people, asking questions and synthesizing what is learned into a cohesive, coherent article or report.

Our alumni have won Pulitzer Prizes and Emmy Awards, among other kinds of recognition for their work. You will find our alumni working in traditional journalism fields of broadcast, multimedia and print, but they have also parlayed their skills into other fields.

You can find Eastern Journalism alumni working in the movie industry, lobbying, social media marketing, political campaigns, public relations, law enforcement, the legal profession, and book editing and publishing. What can you do with a Journalism degree? In short, just about anything you put your mind to.

#### **RESOURCES**

#### **School of Communication & Journalism**

www.eiu.edu/cmnjou/

#### Journalism Homepage

www.eiu.edu/journalism/

#### **Department Honors**

www.eiu.edu/journalism/honors.php

## **Internship Information**

www.eiu.edu/journalism/internships.php

#### **Student Media**

www.eiu.edu/journalism/media.php

#### **Scholarship Information**

www.eiu.edu/journalism/scholarships.php

#### **Accreditation Council**

www.acejmc.org/

## The Daily Eastern News

www.dailyeasternnews.com/

#### **News Watch**

www.weiu.net/news\_watch/index.php

#### SAMPLE COURSE SEQUENCE

FRESHMAN	
FALL	SPRING
ENG 1001G	ENG1002G
CMN 1310G	MAT GEN ED
BIO GEN ED	PHYSICAL SCI GEN ED
JOU 1401	ART/HUM GEN ED
JOU 2001G	SOC/BEH GEN ED
SOPHOMORE	
FALL	SPRING
JOU 2101	JOU 2902
JOU 2950	JOU 3750
SOC/BEH GEN ED	JOU elective
ART/HUM GEN ED	ART/HUM GEN ED
PLS 3603	SOC/ECON
JUNIOR	
FALL	SPRING
JOU 3002	JOU 3000
JOU 3401	JOU 3970
JOU 3610	JOU elective
JOU elective	JOU elective
ELEC/MINOR	ELEC/MINOR
SENIOR	
FALL	SPRING
JOU 3940	JOU 4401
JOU elective	JOU 4420
ELEC/MINOR	JOU 4730
ELEC/MINOR	ELEC/MINOR
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