USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism

The USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism is a national leader in education and scholarship in the fields of communication, journalism, public diplomacy and public relations. The school offers a comprehensive curriculum emphasizing the core skills of leadership, innovation, service and entrepreneurship and drawing upon the resources of a networked university located in the media capital of the world. USC Annenberg’s commitment to the converged practice of communication and journalism, interdisciplinary studies, and collaboration makes it unique among peer institutions. Students learn from theory and practice, and the school’s programs put it at the crossroads of media, entertainment technology, and globalization.

The school’s nationally accredited journalism program provides experience for students in all media platforms, with a digital newsroom, state-of-the-art editing equipment for radio and television news production and the opportunity to work on campus media outlets. The school’s public relations program prepares students to thrive in advocacy communication, learning to write and communicate targeted messages across media platforms. The School of Communication’s multidisciplinary curriculum explores how human interaction and technology affect communities, businesses, nations and the world, preparing students for careers in communication, persuasion and leadership. USC Annenberg’s active internship program and study abroad opportunities give students the broad, global perspective required to be successful professionals.

USC Annenberg alumni fill top posts in the communication and media industries, and remain an invaluable resource to students and faculty. USC Annenberg’s more than 100 faculty members have been recognized in diverse fields, and their expertise challenges students to become communication leaders.

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Degree Programs

The School of Communication offers programs of study leading to a B.A. in Communication; minors in Sports Media Studies, Communication and the Entertainment Industry, Communication Technology Practices and Platforms, Global Communication, Health Communication, Media Economics and Entrepreneurship, Professional and Managerial Communication, Communication Law and Media Policy, Cultural Studies and Interdisciplinary Law and Society; a progressive degree in Master of Communication Management; a Master of Science in Digital Social Media; an M.A. and Ph.D. in Communication; M.A. in Global Communication (in conjunction with the London School of Economics); a Master of Communication Management and a Master of Public Diplomacy. The Master of Public Diplomacy combines the resources of the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism and the USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences’ School of International Relations. The Communication Management Program has established dual degree programs with the USC Gould School of Law and Hebrew Union College.

Undergraduate Degrees

The School of Communication offers programs of study leading to a B.A. degree and minors in Communication and the Entertainment Industry, Communication Technology Practices and Platforms, Global Communication, Health Communication, Media Economics and Entrepreneurship, Professional and Managerial Communication, Sports Media Studies, and Communication Law and Media Policy. Many communication majors pursue, with the school’s encouragement, a double major with another discipline or a minor to complement the major. Through careful planning, students can complete these options within four years.

Students must consult with an undergraduate academic advisor at least once each semester to explore course selections within the major, the minor, general education offerings and electives.

Admission

Admission is competitive. Fall 2013 incoming freshmen had an average GPA of 3.69 with an SAT score of 1540-2130 (middle 50%). Transfer students had an average college GPA of 3.66. For application instructions and deadlines, refer to the USC Admission Website. All transfer applicants must review the transfer admission application guidelines on the Annenberg Website. Contact the Annenberg Admissions Office for more information. USC exclusively uses the Common Application for freshman and transfer admission. Applicants must submit the Common Application and USC Supplement, both of which can be accessed at commonapp.org.

Students currently enrolled at USC who wish to change their major to communication must file a formal application with all supporting documents through the
Annenberg Student Services Office. Students who entered USC as freshmen must have 32 units completed with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Students who entered USC as transfers must have 16 units completed at USC with a minimum GPA of 3.0. The 3.0 GPA is a minimum standard and does not guarantee admission.

Upon admission to the School of Journalism, students will lose transfer credits earned in journalism and public relations course work completed at another college or university.

For current USC students, the application period is the first week of classes each fall and spring semester. No applications will be accepted after the first week of classes.

Students who have not been admitted to the communication major or one of the minors may complete a maximum of 20 communication (COMM) units at USC. No further communication course work may be taken until the student is admitted. Students who complete the maximum number of units without gaining admission to the school will be advised to select another major. Students are encouraged to contact the Annenberg Student Services Office, ASC 140, (213) 740-0900, for advice on change of major criteria and major requirements. In certain cases, students may be referred to Dornsife College Advising, CAS 120, (213) 740-2524, to consult with an adviser to select another major.

Bachelor of Arts in Communication

General Education Requirements

The university’s general education program provides a coherent, integrated introduction to the breadth of knowledge you will need to consider yourself (and to be considered by other people) a generally well-educated person. This program requires six courses in different categories, plus writing, foreign language and diversity requirements, which together comprise the USC Core. See the USC Core and the General Education Program for more information.

Course Requirements

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<td>COMM 301L Empirical Research in Communication</td>
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Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 overall GPA in upper division course work applied toward the major. Further, no more than 16 upper division elective units may be taken prior to completion of the entire core. No more than 4 units of COMM 380 may be counted toward the department major. The School of Communication is committed to ensuring that all declared communication majors follow the necessary requirements. Mandatory advisement is required of all communication majors each semester prior to registration. All students taking communication classes are held to the highest academic integrity standards and may be denied admission or have admission revoked as a result of conduct violations.

Qualifying non-majors (generally, students with junior/senior status, a minimum 3.0 GPA and a declared major elsewhere at the university) with appropriate academic preparation may be permitted to enroll in communication electives without fulfilling prerequisite requirements. Application for a waiver should be made to an undergraduate adviser.

Academic Integrity Policy

The School of Communication maintains a commitment to the highest standards of ethical conduct and academic excellence. Any student found responsible for plagiarism, fabrication, cheating, or an examination or purchasing papers or other assignments will be reported to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs and Community Standards and may be dismissed from the School of Communication. There are no exceptions to the school’s policy.

Curriculum Areas of Study

By design, the courses in the curriculum tend to cluster into different areas of study. These areas represent important foci in the communication discipline and are areas in which the school’s faculty possess special expertise. Four such areas of study are described below. They are not mutually exclusive, nor do they exhaust the curriculum; rather, they represent partially overlapping areas of unusual depth. Students may specialize in one of these areas or may design individual programs of study by choosing other combinations of electives that best meet their needs and career objectives. Relevant courses for the clusters are posted on the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism Website.

Media, Law and Politics Option: This option is designed for students who are interested in careers in government and public service, the law, and political and legal consulting, as well as the study of law and politics. Students examine communication processes in the public sphere and learn how to participate competently in these practices. Courses emphasize: the role of persuasion in the political and legal processes; the techniques used by individuals, institutions and social movements to influence public affairs; the history, design, implementation and evaluation of political campaigns; the role of public opinion; ethical issues in public communication, including the influence of media in the political and justice systems, the role of the First Amendment and the changing nature of freedom of expression in a mass-mediated environment, and problems of public participation.

Organizational and Interpersonal Communication Option: This option is most relevant to students interested in careers in business, management, human resources and development, corporate communication, and consulting, as well as advanced graduate study. Courses emphasize: interpersonal communication processes that affect and reflect personality, motives, beliefs, attitudes and values; communication’s role in the development, maintenance and disintegration of social, family and intimate relationships; managing interpersonal conflict; communication between superiors and subordinates and in teams; communication’s role in determining organizational culture; managing information in organizations; and the role of information technology in processes of globalization.

Communication and Culture Option: This option will be attractive to a broad range of students whose careers have an international or multicultural dimension, from those interested in foreign service, travel and consulting to those seeking careers in the arts. In addition, students taking this option will be well prepared for advanced graduate study. Courses emphasize: communication as an essential component of culture and cultural production; cultural theories that shape communication practices; cultural barriers to communication; gender and diversity issues in human and mass communication and cultural production; media representations of race, ethnicity and gender; the production of meaning in diverse modes such as art, religion, popular culture and technology; and cultural criticism.

Entertainment, Communication and Society Option: This option is for students who wish to pursue careers in the entertainment industry, as well as those interested in the relationship of communication and entertainment to popular culture, globalization, cultural studies, marketing, advertising and ethics. Students taking this option will be well prepared for graduate study; they will also be able to enter the entertainment industry with a grounding in the theory, roles, issues and effects of entertainment. Courses emphasize: the theoretical underpinnings of entertainment studies; the historical context of entertainment; the roles and effects of entertainment concepts in “high art” and popular culture; the impact of entertainment on politics; advertising in an entertainment society; the blurring of marketing and entertainment and the effects of this on culture; the effects of entertainment in general and specifically on constructions of race and childhood; issues in the blurring of fact and fiction; ethical dilemmas; and the globalization of entertainment industries.

Progressive Degree Program

This progressive degree program allows USC students to complete a bachelor’s degree and a Master of Communication Management in as little as five years. Students with a 3.0 overall GPA or higher in all classes taken at the university level are eligible to apply for admission to the degree program during their junior year, however a 3.0 GPA does not guarantee acceptance.

Current students must attend a mandatory information session conducted by Annenberg Admissions before initiating the application process. Students admitted into the progressive degree program begin taking master’s level courses in their senior year and may complete the master’s degree in five years. For information on the application process, refer to the Annenberg Website, annenberg.usc.edu/currentstudents. Click on progressive degree. For further details on progressive degree programs, see the Requirements for Graduation page.

Minor in Sports Media Studies

USC has a unique historical relationship to sports and sports media, and is near the center of the current sports media capital of Los Angeles. The courses examine the role of sports and sports media in culture, how the presentation of sports in media has evolved, has been shaped by cultural issues and, itself, impacted culture. This 24-unit minor will enhance students’ skills in working and interacting with, sports media.

Requirements for admission are a minimum 3.0 GPA and completion of a minimum of 32 units (sophomore standing).

Required Core Communication Courses

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Minor in Communication and the Entertainment Industry

This minor offers courses that examine the theory, social impact and economics of the music, film and television industries. Students will learn strategies for analyzing popular culture texts; management and public relations in the entertainment field; and social, cultural and political issues related to entertainment. USC provides a broad array of courses that equip students with the theory, tools to evaluate the marketing of entertainment and the cultural products of the film, television, theatre and music industries. This minor is intended to encourage students in a variety of majors to draw upon these properties in preparation for different careers in the entertainment industry.

Admission requirements are a minimum 3.0 grade point average and completion of 32 units (sophomore standing). The 3.0 GPA is a minimum standard and does not guarantee admission.

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Total units: 24

Minor in Communication Technology Practices and Platforms

Students in this 20-unit minor trace the roots and dynamics of contemporary networked technologies and learn how to participate and excel within media cultures, online networks and organizational workplaces. The minor focuses on three areas: cultures (connecting communication technologies to histories, values, and ethics of social relationships and civic communities); networks (developing qualitative and quantitative skills to model, explain and influence relationships among media and people at local and global scales); institutions (tracing the legal, organizational, economic and interpersonal contexts that produce and transform communication technologies). The field of communication technology requires individuals who can critique, cultivate, build and influence new relationships among people, platforms and practices. Whether starting careers in strategic consulting, medical informatics, non-profit management, social media design, public sector service or new media entrepreneurship, students are encouraged to utilize skills and foundational concepts underlying 21st century communication technologies.

Requirements for admission are a minimum 3.0 GPA and completion of a minimum of 32 units (sophomore standing). The 3.0 GPA is a minimum standard and does not guarantee admission.

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Total units: 20

Minor in Professional and Managerial Communication

The ability to succeed in today’s workplace necessitates a growing number of communication skills. As today’s increasingly global and highly competitive marketplace grows in complexity, the need to understand intercultural differences, the power of structure in the workplace and other issues such as dealing with interpersonal conflicts continues to increase. This 24-unit minor will provide students interested in the management of people, resources or products with these necessary tools. Requirements for admission are a minimum 3.0 GPA and completion of a minimum of 32 units (sophomore standing).

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Minor in Communication Law and Media Policy

The rapid advance in information and communication technologies raises serious questions about the limits of free speech, censorship, and the impact of present and emerging communication policies on domestic and international industries. To address these developments, this 24-unit cross-departmental minor combines courses from communication, law, economics, political science and journalism. This minor not only enables students to understand what is occurring in the communication revolution, it also prepares them to participate in the movement as critics and advocates. Requirements for admission are a minimum 3.0 GPA and completion of a minimum of 32 units (sophomore standing).

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### Minor in Media Economics and Entrepreneurship

In recognition of the dislocation and restructuring underway in contemporary media and information industries, this 24-unit minor introduces students to the microeconomics and trends of the sector and gives them an understanding of the role that entrepreneurship plays in the new economy. Students with professional media industry aspirations will learn basic economic literacy and discover the key factors that shape competition in information markets. Further, the minor fosters an entrepreneurial mindset in students and helps them to develop the entrepreneurial skills required to build successful careers and ventures in the media and information sector. Requirements for admission are a minimum 3.0 GPA and completion of a minimum of 32 units (sophomore standing). A minimum of 24 units is required for completion of the minor.

**Required Courses (8 units)**

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* Prerequisite: BAEP 450 or BAEP 451

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### Minor in Global Communication

The rise of global firms and international changes that followed the end of the cold war raise new opportunities and challenges. This minor provides students from fields such as business, journalism, engineering and political science an understanding of the dynamic nature of global relations, communications and technology. The global communication minor consists of six 4-unit courses, three from international relations and three from communication. Students are required to complete IR 305 Managing New Global Challenges; two additional IR upper division courses, at least one of which must be a course which focuses on a specific region; COMM 487 Communication and Global Organizations; and two elective courses relevant to global communication. See the School of International Relations for complete course requirements.

**Minor in Health Communication**

This minor is designed to appeal to students with a wide range of interests, including those with a general interest in promoting healthy lifestyle practices through communication. These students will be prepared to seek future job opportunities from various areas including the managed care industry, hospitals, wellness programs, broadcast and cable companies, private and governmental agencies as well as other organizations looking for experts with demonstrated knowledge in health-related fields.

For degree requirements or to apply to this minor, contact the Department of Preventive Medicine, Keck School of Medicine.

**Minor in Cultural Studies**

See the Department of English.

**Minor in Law and Society**

See the Department of Political Science.

**Minor in Photography and Social Change**

See the Department of Sociology.

### Other Programs

**Debate Squad**

The Trojan Debate Squad provides an opportunity for students from fields such as business, journalism, engineering and political science an understanding of the dynamic nature of global relations, communications and technology. The global communication minor consists of six 4-unit courses, three from international relations and three from communication. Students are required to complete IR 305 Managing New Global Challenges; two additional IR upper division courses, at least one of which must be a course which focuses on a specific region; COMM 487 Communication and Global Organizations; and two elective courses relevant to global communication. See the School of International Relations for complete course requirements.

* Prerequisite: BAEP 250

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**Honors Program**

The School of Communication offers an 8-unit honors program for exceptional students. To qualify, students must have a 3.5 GPA both overall and in the COMM major after completing the core courses (16 units from COMM 202, COMM 201, COMM 202, COMM 203, COMM 206, COMM 207 and COMM 208 and two of COMM 204, COMM 301, and COMM 332). To graduate with School of Communication honors, a student must maintain a 3.5 overall and COMM major GPA and receive at least a B+ or higher in the two honors courses. Students either take COMM 495 Honors Seminar or work with a professor to customize a 400-level COMM course for honors status (4 units). All honor students complete COMM 497x Honors Thesis (4 units). Contact an undergraduate adviser for further information and application forms.

**Honors Society**

Lambda Pi Eta is a national communication/journalism honor society that is open to declared communication, journalism and public relations majors who have completed (or are currently registered for) at least 60 units, at least 12 of which are in the major. To be eligible, students must have a USC GPA and a major GPA of 3.5 or higher.

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**Honors in Multimedia Scholarship**

This program offers qualified undergraduate students an opportunity to approach their discipline(s) of study through the critical application of multimedia expression and scholarship. The student experience will be characterized by smaller classes taught by leading faculty members and enriched by a program of lecture series, visiting scholars, symposia and conferences. For complete program requirements, see the School of Cinematic Arts.

**Annenberg Career Development and International Programs**

**Semester in Amsterdam**

Through the Council on International Education Exchange, students study at the University of Amsterdam. The first week students spend in orientation sessions which include an overview of the academic program, an introduction to Amsterdam and to Dutch society and culture, as well as excursions in and around the city. Students enroll in the offerings taught in English at the University of Amsterdam. Courses include communication, art, history, economics, environmental sciences, computer science, history, philosophy, literature, social science and theology. Students may earn a maximum of 12 USC units of upper-division COMM elective credit.

**Spring Semester in Australia**

This semester program offers students the chance to study at one of Australia’s premier universities, in one of the country’s most exciting cities. Students take communication courses that count for major credit at USC and the University of New South Wales (UNSW) and can choose from a wide variety of elective courses. UNSW is located in Kensington, just south of the center of Sydney and its commercial hub. The program gives students the chance to explore mass media and communication in a challenging environment with a distinct world view, very different from that of the United States. Students may earn a maximum of 12 USC units of upper-division COMM elective credit.

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**Fall Semester in Buenos Aires**

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This semester program offers students the opportunity to study Latin American culture and study at the Universidad de San Andrés, a small liberal arts college in the suburbs of Buenos Aires. Students will live and learn in this vibrant metropolis while taking communication courses that count toward major credit at USC. Buenos Aires is one of the largest cities in Latin America and will give students the chance to explore the world view of Latin America and how it relates to communication, mass media and the world at large. The program will immerse students in South American culture. With classes being taught exclusively in Spanish, this program requires a high degree of proficiency in Spanish, both written and oral (3.5 years of college-level Spanish or the equivalent required).

**Semester in Hong Kong**

The semester program offers students the opportunity to learn about Chinese culture at the Chinese University in Hong Kong, a bilingual institution. The program also gives students the experience of living in Hong Kong where they can witness the "one country, two systems" experiment. Courses in English are offered in fine arts, literature, history, Japanese studies, intercultural studies, music, philosophy, computer science, anthropology, economics, international relations, as well as journalism and communication. For students interested in Chinese language, courses are offered in Putonghua (Mandarin) or Cantonese. Extracurricular activities include the opportunity to teach English in rural China, monthly dinner talks with Asian studies specialists and excursions to local areas of interest. Students may earn a maximum of 12 USC units of upper-division COMM elective credit.

**Summer in Ireland**

This summer program offers Annenberg undergraduate students the chance to participate in a formal international internship program in Dublin for nine weeks during the summer. The aim of the program is to provide students with theoretical as well as practical experiences working, living and navigating within the international global communications environment. The program is designed around a summer-long online Annenberg course and a nine-week full-time unpaid internship in Dublin. Students will receive one unit of credit for JOUR 090x.

**Semester in London**

The semester program offers students the opportunity to study communication in London, the most important center of media in Europe. Many of the communication courses offered include British media guest lecturers and site visits. The program includes one-day visits to such places as Stonehenge, Stratford, Oxford, Cambridge and Windsor. Planned activities within London include theatre and museum visits and a reception with USC alumni residing in the London area. Students may earn 16 units of upper-division COMM elective credit.

**Spring Semester in New Zealand**

Annenberg's New Zealand program offers students the opportunity to travel to the Southern Hemisphere. Each spring, students can study at the Auckland University of Technology (AUT), a world-class institution which offers students the chance to take communication courses that count toward major credit at USC, all the while exploring the beautiful city of Auckland and the surrounding countryside. The AUT program offers communication students an exciting way to broaden their understanding of media and mass communication in a challenging environment with an outlook distinctly different from that of the United States and Southern California. Students may earn 12 units of upper-division COMM elective credit.

**International Communication Studies — London, Paris, Prague and Istanbul**

The International Communication Studies program (ICS) allows undergraduate students to study a range of approaches to public communication media across Europe.

Students divide the five-week course into stays in Los Angeles, London, Paris, Prague and Istanbul. In addition to regular class meetings, students discuss the interplay of current world issues and international media practices with communication practitioners from international news and public relations media, government institutions, private industry and global organizations.

Students enroll in JOUR 482 Comparative Media in Europe (4 units), which will count as 4 units of upper-division COMM elective credit.

**International Communication Studies China — Beijing, Hong Kong and Shanghai**

The International Communication Studies China program allows undergraduate students to study a range of approaches to public communication media in China.

Students divide the four-week course into stays in Los Angeles, Beijing, Hong Kong and Shanghai. In addition to regular class meetings, students discuss the interplay of current world issues and international media practices with communication practitioners from international news and public relations media, government institutions, private industry and global organizations.

Students enroll in COMM 499 (4 units, for summer 2013), which will count as 4 units of upper-division COMM elective credit.

For further information, contact Annenberg Career Development and International Programs at (213) 821-2717, email ascint@usc.edu or visit annenberg.usc.edu/international.

**Graduate Degrees**

**Degree Programs**

The School of Communication offers programs of study leading to a professional Master of Communication Management, an M.A./M.Sc. in Global Communication in collaboration with the London School of Economics, a Master of Science in Digital Social Media, a Master of Public Diplomacy and research-oriented Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Communication. The Master of Public Diplomacy combines the resources of theAnnenberg School for Communication and Journalism and the USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences’ School of International Relations. In addition, special programs enable students to earn dual degrees in communication management and law (USC Gould School of Law) and in communication management and Jewish nonprofit management (Hebrew Union College).

The degree programs are designed to ensure that students are educated in substantive studies that constitute the discipline of communication and provide a basis for competing effectively in the job market.

All students seeking the degrees in communication management and global communication will take a range of courses that prepare them for successful professional management careers in communication-related businesses, organizations and fields.

All students pursuing the research-oriented degree (Ph.D. in Communication) are required to take two theory courses that introduce them to inquiry in human communication and two research methods courses that acquaint them with the historical/critical and social scientific techniques available to conduct scholarly research. These requirements strengthen the student’s appreciation of the intellectual bases of human communication study and further the concept of a community of scholars and practitioners in the profession. Students specialize in one of five available tracks: rhetoric and political communication; media, culture and community; interpersonal and health communication; organizational communication; or information and society. In addition, students are encouraged to sample courses in the remaining tracks, thus obtaining an education of unparalleled breadth and depth.

**Admission Requirements**

**Master of Communication Management, Master of Arts in Global Communication, Master of Science in Digital Social Media, Master of Public Diplomacy and Master of Public Diplomacy (Practitioner and Mid-Career Professional)**

The school accepts students from a broad range of academic backgrounds in social sciences, humanities, physical sciences or professional schools. Some are employed or have work experience in communication-related fields. Others apply immediately after completing baccalaureate degrees.

**Criteria:** The faculty admission committees consider many criteria in the admission selection process: not only the academic record, but also professional and work-related accomplishments are taken into account. The minimum criteria are the equivalent of a U.S. bachelor’s degree and a 3.0 GPA for all undergraduate and graduate work completed. The Master of Arts in Global Communication requires a minimum 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) cumulative GPA or international equivalent for admission. For admission to communication management, digital social media and public diplomacy, scores on the General Test of the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) are required. Applicants to the communication management degree program may submit Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) scores in lieu of the GRE. Scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) are required for applicants whose native language is not English. Letters of recommendations from those persons familiar with the applicant’s work – preferably academically – are required also. In addition, applicants must submit a statement of purpose, transcripts of all previous college and university work attempted, résumé and written samples.

Applicants to the global communication degree program must apply to USC and the London School of Economics (LSE). Participation in this degree program requires that students simultaneously gain admission to LSE and USC. GRE or GMAT scores are not required for admission. All students will begin their studies in London at the LSE.

**Procedure:** Refer to the Annenberg Website for application guidelines, deadlines and filing periods.

**Doctor of Philosophy**

Students may enter from a variety of academic fields and majors. Applicants whose undergraduate work was in fields other than communication may be admitted on the condition that adequate preparation in directly relevant areas is evident. Completion of a master’s degree in communication is not required for admission to the Doctor of Philosophy.

**Criteria:** All applicants must submit the online USC Graduate Admission Application and Annenberg Supplemental Form with three letters of recommendation from faculty qualified to comment on their qualifications for a rigorous program of study. Completion of a basic descriptive statistics course is recommended. In addition,
a personal statement, transcripts from all colleges/universities attended, a résumé and a sample of scholarly writing are required. The M.A. in Communication is earned as part of the Ph.D. program.

Procedure: Admission is granted for the fall semester only; the application deadline is November 1. Applicants are strongly encouraged to take the Graduate Record Examinations prior to October 1. Refer to the Annenberg Website for application guidelines.

Degree Requirements

The Global Communication, Master of Arts in Communication and Doctor of Philosophy in Communication are awarded under the jurisdiction of the Graduate School. Refer to the Graduate School section of this catalogue and The Requirements for Graduation section for general regulations. All courses applied toward the degrees must be courses accepted by the Graduate School.

Master of Communication Management

Each chosen course area of focus follows the course of study for that track for depth and a second track for breadth. A faculty academic adviser assists students to build on earlier academic and work experience in order to achieve desired professional goals.

Residence

Students may pursue the Master of Communication Management on either a full- or part-time basis. Full-time, the degree can be finished in one year and four months (across four terms, including the summer session); part time, all degree work can be finished in two to three years. With permission from a School of Communication committee, a maximum of 4 graduate units may be transferred from another accredited institution.

Foreign Language Requirement

There are no foreign language requirements for this degree.

Course Requirements

Thirty-two units (usually nine courses) in approved graduate-level course work are required.

Students will take a required 4-unit research methods course in their first semester. In their second semester, students will take a required 4-unit core conceptual foundation course. In their penultimate and final semesters, students will take the capstone Communication Research Practicum (CMGT 597a and CMGT 597b respectively, total 4 units). The capstone practicum requires the student to pass the research methods and the core conceptual foundation courses.

A maximum of two courses may be taken in the first semester. In the second and subsequent semesters, with approval from the Director of the Master of Communication Management program, students may take up to three courses.

Among the remaining courses, at least 12 units must be from Communication Management elective areas of focus. Up to 8 may be taken at USC outside the Communication Management program; these courses must be approved by the Director of the Master of Communication Management program, and may be selected from a variety of disciplines, depending upon academic and career interests.

Any given course may be taken at most three times, after which the student is no longer eligible to take the course.

### Master of Science in Digital Social Media

The School of Communication in the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism is offering a Master of Science in Digital Social Media degree, which is an intensive program focused on leadership and management of digital and social media, and online communities. Students learn to be digital and social media executives, leaders and entrepreneurs through a sequence of classes that teach conceptualization, management of development and analytics, creation of content, and implementation of digital products. Students take 32 units over the course of one calendar year including a funded, final project in which teams receive a budget to develop and launch a working, dynamic, social media product. An internship is highly recommended as students are expected to gain relevant, professional experience while enrolled in the program. No engineering skills are required, but the program provides instruction in collaborating with, and managing, developers.

The program is taught over a single calendar year beginning with spring semester, and includes courses during summer and fall. Students applying for this program are required to take the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE).

The completion of this degree program requires 32 units including the successful development and launch of a digital social media product. Core courses are taught in the School for Communication and Journalism. With approval of the program director, students may select electives from the entire USC graduate curriculum.

### Digital and Social Media Core Requirements (12 units)

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Students choose one to three classes (4-8 units) that help them specialize their area of expertise within the realm of digital social media. Approval from the director is required for these classes. Students may choose from the director's list or request approval for other classes.

Electives — Communication or Other Relevant Classes | 4-8 Units |

Students may elect to take classes in related topics within the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism, or from engineering, business, cinema, music, or other area related to digital and social media or related to the sector of implementation that interests the students. Students are strongly encouraged to acquire relevant experience through an internship and may earn degree credit by enrolling in CMGT 591 Communication Internship. With the permission of the program director, students may take up to 8 elective units within the Annenberg School, or from other USC programs.

#### Graduate Certificate in Health Communication Management

This certificate program is for students holding master’s degrees who wish to pursue or expand careers in public health, pharmacology or other health science program that focuses on “what is communicated” in health communication. A partial list of courses includes:

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### Graduate Certificate in International and Intercultural Communication Management

This certificate program is for students holding master’s degrees who wish to pursue or expand careers in international and intercultural communication management. Students will study the latest developments in information and communication technologies, markets and cultures, and industry practices within cross-nation, cross-cultural contexts.

Students take 16 units of graduate course work beyond the master’s degree, of which 4 units may be cognate courses. A partial list of courses includes:

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### Graduate Certificate in Marketing Communication Management

This certificate program is for students holding master’s degrees who wish to pursue or expand careers in marketing communication. Students will study the latest developments in marketing communication research and theory and the application to marketing communication issues.

Students take 16 units of graduate course work beyond the master’s degree, of which 4 units may be cognate courses. A partial list of courses includes:

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### Graduate Certificate in Media and Entertainment Management

This certificate program is for students who have already earned master's degrees and who wish to pursue or expand careers in the entertainment industry. Students will study the latest areas of entertainment-related research, theory, and application. They will have a strong grounding in the theory, roles, issues and effects of entertainment as well as the impact of entertainment and new entertainment technologies on society, behavior, and the entertainment industry.

Students take 16 units of graduate course work that may not be used or have been used for any other degree or certificate program, of which 4 units may be cognate courses. A partial list of courses includes:

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### Graduate Certificate in New Communication Technologies

This certificate program is for students holding master’s degrees who wish to pursue or expand careers in communication. Students will study the latest developments in new communication and media technologies and their application in a variety of organizational and social contexts.

Students take 16 units of graduate course work beyond the master’s degree, of which 4 units may be cognate courses. A partial list of courses includes:

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### Master of Arts in Global Communication

The USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism collaborates with the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) to provide the course work necessary for students to become fully engaged with the phenomenon of global communication through this dual master’s degree program. Upon satisfaction of all program requirements, students will be awarded a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Global Communication by USC as well as a Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Global Media and Communications by the LSE.

#### Residence

This is a two-year program during which students spend their first year at the LSE and their second year at USC.

#### Foreign Language/Research Tool Requirements

There are no foreign language requirements. Students take a one-term research methods course as part of their course work at the LSE.

### Course Requirements

- The Master of Arts in Global Communication requires 42 units; the equivalent of 18 units earned at the LSE and 24 units earned at USC.

- **Year One at LSE:** The LSE academic year has three terms. Students will complete classes approved by faculty at the LSE. Students must earn at least 3 units at the LSE, which articulates as 18 units at USC.

- **Year Two at USC:** Students must complete COMM 598 as well as 20 elective units (4 courses) from the School of Communication graduate curriculum, excluding COMM 515, COMM 526, COMM 550, and COMM 552.

Students may choose one of their elective courses from a department outside Annenberg with the approval of their advisors.

Students will produce a final research project on global communication that will be the product of work done both at the LSE and Annenberg. Students complete a research project during the summer after their year at the LSE for which grades are awarded by LSE faculty. A passing grade is required. They will continue to develop this project during the year at Annenberg in COMM 598 and must earn a grade of B minus or higher.

### Master of Arts in Communication

Individuals seeking the Master of Arts in Communication are expected to acquire and demonstrate a general knowledge of human communication, including humanistic and social scientific approaches.

The program, arranged in consultation with the school’s coordinator of doctoral studies, provides two options: degree with comprehensive examination requires a total of 32 units (normally eight courses), including core courses COMM 525, COMM 526, COMM 550, COMM 552, and four electives; or degree with thesis requires successful completion of core courses, three electives and 4 units of COMM 594ab Master’s Thesis.

Not more than two approved 400-level courses may be applied to a student’s program and a maximum of 4 semester units with grades of B or better may be accepted by transfer from another institution of higher learning. The minimum acceptable GPA for successful completion of this program is 3.0.

The majority of students choose the comprehensive examination option. The examination consists of six hours of writing, taken on two different days. Permission to take an M.A. degree with thesis can be obtained only by application to the school screening committee.

### Master of Public Diplomacy

The Master of Public Diplomacy combines the resources of the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism and the USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences’ School of International Relations. This program is designed for students who already have a substantial undergraduate background in social sciences or relevant professional experience in subjects such as communications, film and media studies, journalism, political science, public relations and international relations. Students in the program may decide to emphasize public diplomacy training most appropriate for a career in public service, the corporate world or in a nongovernmental organization (NGO) working in the ever-expanding global civil society. USC is a member of the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSA).

Requirements for the completion of this degree program are 49 units, including the required substantive
Doctor of Philosophy in Communication

Students in the doctoral program learn theories that guide research into communication processes and effects and into institutions and technologies that lend pattern to communication. Applicants for the Ph.D. are expected to acquire and demonstrate humanistic and behavioral knowledge of communication while acquiring skills requisite to scholarly research in the discipline.

Screening Procedures

Student progress is carefully monitored by the School of Communication faculty. Students are normally screened at the end of their first year of graduate study. At that time they must have completed no fewer than 16 and no more than 24 units, including COMM 545, COMM 546, COMM 550 and COMM 552. Students are evaluated on subject matter competence, teaching potential and their ability to conduct independent research. Upon successful passage of the screening procedure, the student has 30 days in which to form a qualifying exam committee.

Course Requirements

The student is required to take a minimum of 76 units and write an approved dissertation. Four core courses – COMM 525, COMM 526, COMM 550 and COMM 552 – and COMM 794ab Doctoral Dissertation are required for all students.

Students specialize in one of five tracks by completing a minimum of three courses (12 units) in one of the following:

2. Media, Culture and Community: CMGT 587, COMM 516, COMM 519, COMM 534, COMM 544, COMM 575, COMM 580, COMM 584, COMM 599, COMM 605, COMM 618, COMM 620, COMM 629, COMM 633, COMM 654, COMM 660, COMM 662;
3. Intercultural and Health Communication: CMGT 587, COMM 504, COMM 524, COMM 562, COMM 599, COMM 603, COMM 615, COMM 620, COMM 625, COMM 630;
4. Organizational Communication: COMM 508, COMM 512, COMM 585, COMM 599, COMM 620, COMM 635, COMM 636, COMM 637, COMM 638, COMM 640, COMM 641, COMM 645, COMM 648, COMM 652;
5. Information and Society: COMM 546, COMM 553, COMM 570, COMM 583, COMM 599, COMM 605, COMM 620, COMM 630, COMM 631, COMM 635, COMM 645, COMM 647, COMM 660, COMM 662.

In addition, students must take at least two courses in one other track outside their specialization (8 units total). Students also pursue an approved cognate elective program of study in which at least two courses (normally 8 units) are taken in a related field outside the Annenberg School. Students entering the School of Communication with a master’s degree may, with permission, apply part of their previous graduate coursework to the cognate requirement. Students in the organizational communication track are required to take at least two methods classes in addition to the core courses, COMM 550 and COMM 552. If taken in a department or unit other than the School of Communication, these courses cannot also be counted toward the student’s cognate requirement.

Research Tool Requirement

Doctoral students are expected to demonstrate methodological competence in an area of specialization prior to taking the qualifying examination. Such competence is usually demonstrated through course work (the successful completion, with grade B or better, of selected course work in addition to their content courses that is approved by the Ph.D. qualifying exam committee taken in the school and/or related departments), and by completion of a preliminary research project. Under special circumstances, students with an exceptional prior background in research methods may demonstrate their competence by successfully passing a research tool examination designed and administered by the Ph.D. qualifying exam committee.

Qualifying Exam Committee

This committee is composed of five USC faculty members, at least three of whom are from the School of Communication. Students are expected to work closely with the members of their qualifying exam committee, especially their committee chair, in selecting advanced course work and shaping areas of interest and research. In addition to helping the student plan a program, the committee administers the oral portion of the qualifying examination and approves the dissertation committee.

Qualifying Examination

Qualifying examinations for the Ph.D. usually are taken in the third year of study following completion of all required courses and a preliminary research paper. The examination includes both written and oral portions. The written portion is composed by committees of faculty in the relevant areas of study; the oral portion is administered by the student’s qualifying exam committee. Students must pass both portions to be advanced to candidacy. Students must confer with their qualifying exam committee chair, not later than the second week of the semester during which the examinations are to be taken, regarding distribution of written examination hours among subject matter areas.

Doctoral Dissertation

The dissertation is an original research project contributing to knowledge about human communication and should demonstrate a high level of competence in methodologies of scholarly inquiry.

Defense of Dissertation

Dissertations are defended in a formal meeting with the three-member dissertation committee. The school prefers that the defense be taken prior to final typing so that recommended changes can be made in the final manuscript.

Dual Degree in Law (J.D.) and Master of Communication Management

Academic training in law and in communication management provides a powerful background for careers in business, entertainment or government life. The USC Gould School of Law and the School of Communication collaborate in a program that enables these educational opportunities. Students complete both the J.D. and the Master of Communication Management in three years, the time normally required for the law degree alone.

Students must complete 20 units (five courses) of communication courses at the School of Communication: one required research methods course; one required core conceptual foundation course; two courses from approved CMGT elective areas of focus; the capstone practicum (CMGT 597a and CMGT 597b, total 4 units).

To earn the J.D., all students (including dual degree students) must complete 35 numerically graded law units at USC after the first year. The associate dean of the USC Gould School of Law may make exceptions to this rule for students enrolled in law school honors programs.

First Year: Required law school courses.
Second and Third Years: 20 units of communication courses, including the 4-unit required research methods course in the first semester of the second year, and the 4-unit required core conceptual foundation course in the second semester of the second year; 38 units of law courses, of which 8 units must be approved as appropriate for acceptance by the School of Communication toward its degree.

All students take CMGT 597a and CMGT 597b in the third year penultimate and final semesters respectively.

Application to pursue the dual degree should be made before completion of 15 units of work in law or 8 units toward the Master of Communication Management degree. Admission by the law school to its J.D. degree will be evaluated as a substitute for GRE scores.

Dual Degree in Master of Communication Management/Jewish Nonprofit Management

The dual degree program, Communication Management/Jewish Nonprofit Management, offers students the opportunity for advanced study of sophisticated communication processes and technologies in the context of the nonprofit arena. The program has been developed by the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion’s School of Jewish Nonprofit Management (formerly the HUC-JIR School of Jewish Communal Service) to combine the study of communication theory, processes and technologies with postgraduate education in Jewish nonprofit management and leadership. The goal of this program is for graduates to perform more effectively in the nonprofit sector, having received specific training in areas such as organizational communication, media impacts and policy.

Students of this program are admitted separately to each school. Four of the 52 required credits of graduate course work at Hebrew Union College are used to fulfill the School of Communication’s cognate option.

In addition, the student will complete 24 credits of the school’s course work including the capstone practicum CMGT 597a and CMGT 597b (total 4 units) in the penultimate and final semesters, as well as the School of Jewish Nonprofit Management’s thesis requirements. Of the remaining 20 units (five courses) at the School of Communication, the student must take the following: one required research methods course in the first semester; one required core conceptual foundation course in the second semester; three courses from approved CMGT elective areas of focus.

Those interested in this program should contact the Office of Admissions, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, 3077 University Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90027-3796 for comprehensive information about the application process.

Courses of instruction

Annenberg school for communication and journalism (ASCJ)

The terms indicated are expected but are not guaranteed. For the courses offered during any given term, consult the Schedule of Classes.

ASCJ 020x Annenberg Skills (1) Intensive skills boot camps teach the verbal, written, and digital skills needed for “real world” jobs. Not available for degree credit.

ASCJ 100 The Changing World of Communication and Journalism (4, Fa) Survey of major themes in media and communication; exploring what it means to be a professional in the fields of communication, journalism, and public relations.

ASCJ 220x Annenberg Experimental (0-2, max 6) Cutting-edge, experimental, experiential, interdisciplinary, results-based classes taught in new ways and places.

ASCJ 420 Annenberg Collaboratory (0-4, max 8) Collaborative, cutting-edge, experimental, experiential, interdisciplinary, results-based classes taught in new ways and places. Recommended preparation: ASCJ 220.

ASCJ 440 Engaging Urban Communities in the Digital Era (2) Explores how to engage urban communities through participatory journalism and communication strategies. Focuses on pioneering digital journalism, social media, and community organizing initiatives.

Communication (COMM)

COMM 200 Communication and Social Science (4, FaSpSm) Social scientific inquiry into human communication; core theories of message production and reception in interpersonal, group and organizational contexts.

COMM 201 Rhetoric and the Public Sphere (4) Humanistic approaches to inquiry in communication; qualitative research techniques; core theories of message production and reception in social, political, cultural, and mediated contexts.

COMM 202 Communication and Technology (4) Survey of cultural, social, political, and economic impacts of new communication technologies, including written language, the printing press, the telephone, television, and cyberspace.

COMM 203 Communication and Mass Media (4) Survey of mass communication research; history, content, effects, theories and policy implications of various media.

COMM 204 Public Speaking (4) Principles and practices of effective oral communication; analysis of the speaking-listening process; selection and organization of speech materials; use of new presentation technologies.

COMM 205x Communication Practicum (1, 2, max 4) Students address communication issues in a field setting. They will evaluate communication practices using appropriate methodology. Projects are jointly evaluated by internship supervisor and professor. Sophomore standing. Not for major credit for communication majors. Graded CR/NC.

COMM 206 Communication and Culture (4, FaSpSm) Examines cultural institutions, ideologies, artifacts, and productions; role of culture in everyday life; cultural studies as methodology; culture and power.

COMM 207 Economic Thinking for Communication and Journalism (3) Introduction to microeconomic and macroeconomic principles; analysis of contemporary issues in media, communication and journalism industries from an economic perspective.

COMM 208 Media Economics: Perspectives on Communication Industries (2) Application of economic principles in the areas of media ownership, market structure, industry regulations, media convergence, and entrepreneurship in new media. Prerequisite: COMM 207.

COMM 300 Foundations for the Study of Entertainment, Communication and Society (4) Theoretical foundation for understanding the construction, consumption, and consequences of entertainment from classical to contemporary times; situates entertainment within the ecology of information and communication. Recommended preparation: COMM 200, COMM 207.

COMM 301x Empirical Research in Communication (4) Experimental and survey methods for communication study; basic statistical concepts, procedures, and tests. Prerequisite: COMM 200.

COMM 302 Persuasion (4) Theories and research in social influence; strategies and tactics of persuasive communications in such settings as politics, public relations, advertising, business.

COMM 303 Learning from Case Studies in Communication (4) Case study approaches to communication research; reliability, validity, generalizability, and ethics in qualitative social research; cases in communication policy and practices.

COMM 304 Interpersonal Communication (4) Analysis of face-to-face interactions; role of communication in the development, maintenance and destruction of relationships; communication processes in managing interpersonal conflict.

COMM 305 Understanding Social Science Research (4) Students learn to be consumers rather than creators of social science research. Examines the challenges and opportunities of communicating research through mass media.

COMM 306 Innovation, Entertainment, and the Arts (4, FaSpSm) Explorations of innovation in the entertainment business. The effects of digital mobile media on TV, movies, music, advertising, social networks and art.

COMM 307 Sound Clash: Popular Music and American Culture (4) Music as inter-cultural communication and method for exploring race and ethnicity in the constitution of American culture and American self; role of music industry.

COMM 308 Communication and Conflict (4) Nature and functions of communication in human conflict; development of communication skills for managing conflict productively in interpersonal, organizational and intercultural contexts.

COMM 310 Media and Society (4) Interplay between media and society, including family and children’s socialization, inter-group relations and community, pornography and violence, gender and race, media ethics, conduct of politics.

COMM 315 Health Communication (4) Behavioral approaches to health communication; communication competencies in health care settings, theories of risky behaviors, and behavioral change programs; special emphasis on AIDS-related issues. Recommended preparation: COMM 301.

COMM 320 Small Group and Team Communication (4) Group process theories relevant to communicative behavior in small group/team settings, including information exchange, decision making, leadership, and meetings; student team projects testing theoretic propositions.

COMM 321 Communication in the Virtual Group (4) Communication processes in global computer networks; formation, maintenance, and decline of virtual groups; privacy and access; introduction to computer networks for communication students and researchers.

COMM 322 Argumentation and Advocacy (4) Basic argumentation theory including analysis, research and evidence, case construction, refutation; discursive
and visual argument; diverse fields of advocacy including law, politics, organizations, interpersonal relations.

COMM 322 Public Deliberation (4) Introduction to deliberative democracy in culture and governance; examines historical and contemporary institutions of democratic discourse and emerging communication norms.

COMM 324M Intercultural Communication (4) Cultural variables and social psychological processes that influence intercultural interaction; relationship between communication and culture in diverse settings including business, medicine, and education.

COMM 325 Intercultural Britain: Media, History and identity (4) Examines urgent social and political issues as they are shaped, represented and expressed by the institutions of media, culture and communication within the United Kingdom.

COMM 330 Rhetoric in Classical Culture (4) Theories of communication and persuasion in ancient Greece and Rome; cultural and social contexts of classical rhetorical theory; major historical figures and concepts. Recommended preparation: COMM 201.

COMM 335 Rhetoric in Contemporary Culture (4) Theories of communication and persuasion in contemporary society; cultural and social contexts of contemporary rhetorical theory; major theorists, concepts and controversies. Recommended preparation: COMM 201.

COMM 339 Communication Technology and Culture (4) Examination of philosophies and popular representations of technology from the origins of western culture to the present and identifies the complex attitudes toward technology.

COMM 340 The Cultures of New Media (4) Cultural implications of computer-mediated communication and related media. Ideological responses to media innovation; debates over artificial intelligence, virtual communities, and virtual reality. Recommended preparation: COMM 239.

COMM 345 Social and Economic Implications of Communication Technologies (4) Social and economic impacts of information and communication technologies; social factors that shape technological change; issues include access, privacy, freedom of expression, productivity, democratic control.

COMM 350 Video Games: Content, Industry, and Policy (4) Introduction to the medium; history of video games; video games as aesthetic products, cultural products, economic outputs; policy issues, effects, and sites of community.

COMM 355 Advertising and Communication (4) Advertising as a mode of communication; U.S. advertising history and institutions; economic and policy contexts (domestic and global); critical analysis of advertising texts.

COMM 360 The Rhetoric of Los Angeles (4) Representations of Los Angeles communicated in diverse media; the city as a rhetorical text; analysis of cultural identities, art, architecture, and representations in popular culture.

COMM 363 Media Consumption (4) Theoretical approaches to the study of media consumption and audiences; examines international media and consumption practices; explores new media’s impact on consumption.

COMM 364 Comparative Media: United States and the United Kingdom (4) Cross-national approaches to the study of U.S. and U.K. media; focuses on news and entertainment media products; examines content, industries, technologies and audiences.

COMM 365 The Rhetoric of London (4, FaSpSm) Examination of the modern city as a communicative text with London as the case study.

COMM 366 Designing Media and Communication Projects for Social Change (4, FaSpSm) Students explore the theoretical and practical issues involved in designing effective media and communication projects for social change in international contexts.

COMM 370 The Rhetoric of ideas: ideology and Propaganda (4) Techniques of propaganda in public discourse; communication strategies through which ideas become ideologies; case studies in wartime and corporate propaganda, imperialism, and cultural colonialism.

COMM 371 Censorship and the Law: From the Press to Cyberspace (4) The study of current and historical battles over the limits of free expression from press and public parks to television, movies, music and cyberspace. (Duplicates credit in former JOUR 371.)

COMM 372 The Image of the Journalist in Popular Culture (4) (Enroll in JOUR 375)

COMM 375 Business and Professional Communication (4, FaSpSm) Oral and written communication skills demanded in the workplace including informative and persuasive speeches; interviewing; team communication; and training material preparation. Recommended preparation: COMM 204.

COMM 380 Forensics Laboratory (1-4, max 8) Directed individual research studies of contemporary problems. Supervised laboratory experience. Open only to members of the University debate squad.

COMM 381 Issues in Contemporary Sport (4) Explores social, political and ethical issues in elite sports and how issues are addressed through popular media; examination includes the relationship between sports and politics.

COMM 382 Sports, Business and Media in Today’s Society (4) (Enroll in JOUR 380)

COMM 382M Sports, Communication and Culture (4) Rhetorical and critical approaches to sports and public discourse; application to sports organizations, the news and popular media; representations of gender and race in sports.

COMM 384 Interpreting Popular Culture (4) Popular culture as an indicator of cultural values, a producer and reflection of cultural meaning, and a means of communication; theory and case studies.

COMM 385 Survey of Organizational Communication (4) The role of information, persuasion, and meanings in organizations. Topics include organizational culture, leadership, decision-making, networks, power, diversity and the global workplace.

COMM 387 Sports and Social Change (4) Application of critical, sociological and rhetorical theories to sports events and sport media; examination of the role of sports in enacting social change.

COMM 388 Ethics in Human Communication (4) Value perspectives on communication in varied settings; interpersonal, organizational, and public; issues of truth and responsibility in family and social interactions, advertising, and governmental communication.

COMM 390 Special Problems (1-4) Supervised, individual studies. No more than one registration permitted. Enrollment by petition only.

COMM 395M Gender, Media and Communication (4) Issues of gender in communication, including: media representations of femininity and masculinity; and gender’s role in communication at the interpersonal, public, and cultural levels.

COMM 396 Fashion, Media and Culture (4) Fashion as a form of communication and culture; fashion’s role in identity, body politics, art, nationhood, celebrity and Hollywood culture, youth cultures and subversive practices.

COMM 400 Seminar in Communication (4, max 12) Advanced readings in communication theory and research (broadly defined); specialized interest areas of individual faculty on the frontiers of knowledge; seminar topics change each semester.

COMM 401 Audience Analysis (4) Examines audience analysis methodologies including focus groups, shadow juries, surveys, test marketing and content analysis; application of statistical sampling procedures, data analysis, interpretation and presentation. Prerequisite: COMM 301.

COMM 402 Public Communication Campaigns (4) Theory and research in public health communication campaigns; design, implementation, and evaluation; extensive discussion of historical case studies and reasons for success or failure.

COMM 411 Communication Criticism (4) Methods and functions of criticism in forms of public communication; historical-contextual, textual, and interpretive procedures; diverse theoretical approaches including formalism, dramatism, genre, and ideology. Prerequisite: COMM 201.


COMM 413 Propaganda, Ideology and Public Controversy (4) Seminar examining the relationship between propaganda, ideology, critical thinking and rhetoric; application to contemporary controversies, both domestic and global; role of public argument. (Duplicates credit in COMM 370.)

COMM 414 Communication and Social Change in China (4) Examines social, political, and cultural implications of media and communication on Chinese society; regulations relevant to Chinese communication; market reforms, telecommunications, internet and creative industries.

COMM 415M African American Rhetoric and Image (4) Interactive course addresses how people of color use symbols to construct identities and communities and disrupt networks through media, politics, entertainment and technology. Recommended preparation: COMM 201.

COMM 421 Legal Communication (4) Analytical and communicative aspects of judicial argument; philosophy and techniques of jury trials, cross examination, and appellate advocacy; research, preparation, and presentation of case briefs. Prerequisite: COMM 322.

COMM 422 Legal Issues and New Media (4) Examines laws and regulatory policies shaping new media, especially the Internet; impact of regulation on development and use of communication technology.

COMM 445 Communicating Religion (4) Genres of religious communication, including sermon, prayer, ritual, polemic, and revival. Impact of technological and cultural change on religious advocacy, beliefs, and practices.

COMM 446 Religion, Media and Hollywood: Faith in TV (4) How religion, ethics and spirituality are embedded, embodied and emplotted in television drama; how secular texts represent “lived religion” to increasingly diverse audiences.

COMM 450 Global Entertainment (4) Survey of economic, political, and cultural dimensions of the global entertainment marketplace; focuses on the international production and distribution of media products and services.

COMM 451 Global Strategy for the Communications Industry (4) Addresses the practical and theoretical aspects of the international economy that are most relevant to management strategy in the communications industry.

COMM 452 American Media and Entertainment Industries (4) Examines the history, technology, regulations and business practices of American broadcast and entertainment industries.

COMM 453 Home Entertainment (4) History and impact of television and ancillary home entertainment (pay television, cable television, home video, DVD, DVR, video-on-demand, etc.) on media industries and consumer experience.

COMM 454 Music as Communication (4) Examines music’s unique characteristics as a communicative form and the cultural, economic, political and social influences in music interpretation and production.

COMM 455 Communicating Health Messages and Medical Issues (4) How communication – interpersonal, mass media, and information technologies – shapes health behavior. Topics: doctor-patient consultations; public campaigns; health issues in entertainment, news, and on the Internet.

COMM 456 Critical Theories of Sport (4) Focuses on critical theories that examine social and political roles of sport in society and how these roles play out in media and broadcast platforms.

COMM 457 Perspectives on the Networked Press (4) Critical survey of the forces defining today’s networked press, examining the people, technologies, and institutions that produce news in today’s online environments. Recommended preparation: COMM 202.

COMM 458 Visual Culture and Communication (4) Examines issues of visual images in communication related to history, modernity, cityscapes, news media, advertising, evidence, science, digital technology, and globalization. Recommended preparation: AHIS 100, COMM 201, FA 150.

COMM 459 Visual Communication and Social Change (4) Analysis of photography’s evolution; new strategies for the photographic image; photo documentary work and global social issues; analysis of images on blogs and Websites.

COMM 460 Media, Money, and Society (4) Money as communication; social scientific analysis of money and financial markets; money and popular culture; the business press; representations of Wall Street in Hollywood cinema.

COMM 465 Advertising and Society (4) Examination of the role of advertising in contemporary society as an economic force and a cultural form of representation. Recommended preparation: COMM 200, COMM 201.

COMM 466 Entertainment, Marketing and Culture (4) Explores blurring of entertainment, marketing and culture in advanced information economies; intersections of culture and media and their social ramifications. Prerequisite: COMM 300; recommended preparation: COMM 200, COMM 201.

COMM 467 Children and Media (4) Explores construction of “childhood” in media and popular culture, including television, movies, video games, toys, magazines, and music. Examines children as a unique audience. Prerequisite: COMM 300; recommended preparation: COMM 200, COMM 201.


COMM 469 Media and Society (4) Examines media, including television, movies, video games, toys, magazines, and music. Examines children as a unique audience. Prerequisite: COMM 300; recommended preparation: COMM 200, COMM 201.

COMM 470 Mass Media and Society (4) Examines media, including television, movies, video games, toys, magazines, and music. Examines children as a unique audience. Prerequisite: COMM 300; recommended preparation: COMM 200, COMM 201.

COMM 475 Advanced Issues in Communication and Technology (4) Advanced level readings into human-computer interfaces; social interaction with artifacts; concept of presence, and emerging social and psychological issues of new communication and computer technologies. Prerequisite: 301L.

COMM 476 Environmental Communication (4) Communication about environmental controversies in the public sphere: history of environmentalism; forms of citizen participation; media coverage; advocacy campaigns and movements; scientific and industrial discourses.

COMM 480 Nonverbal Communication (4) Theory and research; examination of the influence of environmental factors, physical behavior, and vocal cues on human communication.

COMM 482 Comparative Media in Europe (4, S) Enroll in JOUR 482)

COMM 486 Human and Technological Systems in Organizations (4) How communication and information technologies are linked to organizational control, design, cultures; technology and competitive advantage; ethics and policy issues; technology-mediated work. Recommended preparation: COMM 285.

COMM 487 Communication and Global Organizations (4) The role of communication in global organizations; information, networks, and communication technologies for global organizing; computer-based collaborative work and virtual organizations. Recommended preparation: COMM 285.

COMM 488 Communication Research in Organizations (4) Seminar in application of communication research tools; diagnosis and analysis of communication problems; current topics in organizational communication scholarship; students complete original research projects. Recommended preparation: COMM 285.

COMM 489 Campaign Communication (4) Problems in political communication: creating an informed electorate, use of mass media, factors in voter persuasion. Guest experts in political analysis, opinion polling, communication evaluation.

COMM 490 Directed Research (1-8, max 12) Individual research and readings. Not available for graduate credit.

COMM 494 Research Practicum (2-4, max 4) Students gain research experience in the design, implementation, analysis, and reporting of communication research. Students serve as research assistants to faculty members. Not available for graduate credit.

COMM 495 Honors Seminar (4, max 8) Advanced study of issues in communication; recent developments in communication and rhetorical theories. Open only to students in COMM Honors Program. Recommended for seniors. Recommended preparation: COMM 301L.

COMM 497X Honors Thesis (4, FaSp) Writing of the honors thesis. Not available for graduate credit. Open only to COMM honors students; seniors only.

COMM 498 Ethical Issues in Entertainment and Communication (4, FaSpS) Examines social and political controversies over conflicting ethical standards for communication in a variety of media: mass media, communication technology, and entertainment. Prerequisite: COMM 310.

COMM 499 Special Topics (1-4, max 8) Selected topics in communication.

COMM 504x Interpersonal Communication (4) Theories of communication behavior in relatively unstructured, face-to-face situations; examination of decoder-encoder, message, channel, and situational variables. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 508x Power, Politics and Conflict in Communication (4) Human communicative behavior involving the creation and resolution of conflict in interpersonal, small group, and formal organizational settings. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 509x Classical Rhetorical Theory (4) Theories of rhetoric from the fifth century B.C. through the
COMM 511x Contemporary Rhetorical Theory (4) Theories of rhetoric from the 18th century to the present; emphasis on Perelman, Burke, Habermas, Grasi, and Booth. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 512x Rhetorical Criticism (4) Theories and methods of assessing, popular persuasive art forms such as contemporary drama, music, poetry, and journalism, as well as traditional or public address. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 513x Neoclassical Rhetorical Theory (4) Theories of rhetoric from the fifth century A.D. through the 18th century; emphasis on dictamin, praedicandi, poetriae, Alquim, Ramus, Port-Royalists, Bacon, Campbell, Blair, and Whately. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 514x Social Movements as Rhetorical Form (4) Study of the rhetoric of social change; methodologies for analysis and appraisal; investigation of specific collective protest and reform movements. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 515x Postmodern Rhetorical Theory (4) Implications of postmodernity for rhetorical theory and criticism; issues of textuality, agency, and subjectivity in communication; study of selected postmodern figures. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 516x Feminist Theory and Communication (4) Implications of feminist theory for communication; topics include epistemology, critique of science/technology, women and language, feminist approaches to media and film, women and the workplace. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 517x Rhetorical Theory and Culture (4) Issues of culture in recent rhetorical theory; in-depth examination of representative idealist, pragmatist, structuralist, critical, and post-modern accounts of the symbolic construction of cultural forms. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 518x American Public Address (4) History and criticism of major American speakers and speeches with reference to the social, political, and intellectual background of their times. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 519x Cultural Studies in Communication (4) Theoretical foundations, history, and development of cultural studies in communication; implications of issues of nationalism, colonialism, technologies, popular culture, and politics of bodies for communication. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 521x Argumentation (4) Foundation of logical and ethical problems; analysis and appraisal of naturalistic argument. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 522x Kenneth Burke’s Dramatic Theory (4) Studies the contributions of Kenneth Burke, among the most significant figures in the development of contemporary rhetorical theory and criticism. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 524x Small Group Process (4) Contemporary theoretical models; problems in determination and measurement of variables in small group communication environments; assessment of recent research. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 525x Humanistic and Social Scientific Approaches to Human Communication I (4) Overview of the humanistic and social scientific approaches to the study of communication; emphasis on rhetorical/critical and macro social scientific perspectives. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 526x Humanistic and Social Scientific Approaches to Human Communication II (4) Overview of the humanistic and social scientific approaches to the study of communication; emphasis on macro and micro social scientific, symbolic and structural perspectives. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 533 The Culture of New Technologies (4) In-depth approach to cultural impact of the Internet, multimedia, digital imaging, CD-ROM and virtual reality in context with photographic realism, artificial intelligence, and virtual communities.

COMM 544 The Arts and New Media (4) Organization, economics, and policy of arts as affected by new technologies. Architecture, design, advertising, and fashion as context. Implications for arts promotion, management, and funding.

COMM 545 Social Analysis and Research (4) Diffusion of new ideas over time among the members of a system. Emphasis upon the spread and adoption of new communication technologies.


COMM 555 Qualitative Research Methods in Communication (4) Developing expertise in qualitative methods, including participant-observation, ethnography, discourse analysis and historiography in communication research. Not open to Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 556 Political Economy of Global Telecommunications and Information (4) The political, economic, regulatory, and technological changes that are together creating a new world information economy. The politics of international telecommunications is emphasized.

COMM 554 Regression and Multivariate Communication Research (4) Advanced analysis of variance, regression models, path analysis, MANOVA, and discriminant analysis. Not open to Master of Communication Management students.


COMM 557 Globalization, Communication and Society (4) Comparative analysis of social, cultural and political impacts of communication and media; emphasis given to communication’s influence in the social dimensions of globalization.

COMM 560 Critical Approaches to Global Media and Communication (4) The characteristics of global communication in global capitalism and the political economic processes within which policies, interests, and implications of global communication are embedded.

COMM 561 Leading and Communicating Change in Global Organizations (4) Communication perspectives on the process and outcomes of globalization; role of large media organizations in the global flow of information; and leadership and multiculturalism.


COMM 570 Economics of the Communication Industries (4) The economic forces that determine the structure and outputs of communication and media industries, including newspapers, broadcasting, cable, and telecommunications.

COMM 575 Advocacy and Social Change in Entertainment and the Media (4) Examines how diverse groups (i.e., governmental agencies, advertisers, health organizations, advocacy groups, actors, social scientists) attempt to influence audiences through entertainment and traditional media channels.

COMM 578 New Media Literacies (4) Examines intersection of education and participatory culture, literacy and media change, the participation gap, informal learning and knowledge communities, emerging social skills and cultural competencies.

COMM 579 Entrepreneurship in the New Media (4) Examination of how the digital revolution is creating news media entrepreneurs, and changing the way news is disseminated by journalists and heard by consumers.

COMM 580 Media and Politics (4) Mass media in American political life, including political reporting, election campaigns, non-electoral politics, and the media as a political issue.

COMM 582 International Communication: National Development (4) Roles of media institutions and communications behavior in national development, including political, economic, and social spheres; Western and non-Western conceptions of development processes.

COMM 584 Interpreting Popular Culture (4) The use of semiotic, literary, psychoanalytic, and other approaches for describing and interpreting popular cultural phenomena, including television, advertising, film, music, and fashion.

COMM 585 Organizational Communication (4) Theory and research; field experience in analyzing and solving communication problems in organizations. Not available for Master of Communication Management students.

COMM 590 Directed Research (1-12) Research leading to the master’s degree. Maximum units which may be applied to the degree to be determined by the school. Graded CR/NC. (Duplicates credit in former COMM 590.)

COMM 594abz Master’s Thesis (2-2-0) Credit on acceptance of thesis. Graded IP/CR/NC.

COMM 598 Practicum in Global Communication Research (4) Development and assessment of research into global communication; selection of appropriate research methodologies; and production of scholarly research. Open to M.A. in Global Communication students only.

COMM 599 Special Topics (2-4, max 8)
CMGT 508 Communicating Strategy and Change (4) Examination of role of communication in developing and implementing business strategy; critical assessment and practice with models, tools, and techniques for communicating change.

CMGT 509 Influential Communication in the Marketplace (4) Promotional messages as both creative expressions and agents for behavioral change; application of social science theories of persuasion and compliance in interpersonal and mass-media venues.

CMGT 510 Communication, Values, Attitudes and Behavior (4) Theory and research on value and attitude formation and change; consequences for communication and behavior.

CMGT 511 Health Communication (4) Connections between health providers’ communication and patients’ well-being; consultation language, nonverbal behavior, physical settings, design of media messages, information technologies in patient education and care.

CMGT 512 Unintended Consequences of Communication (4) A multidisciplinary examination of the unintended consequences of interpersonal, mass media, political, commercial and social communication by analyzing tactical and strategic errors in communication campaigns.

CMGT 515 Innovation and the Information Economy (4) Analysis of the innovation dynamics fueled by the information and communication technology revolution; economic, technological, institutional and personal underpinnings of innovation and entrepreneurship.

CMGT 520 Social Roles of Communication Media (4) How mass media shape public images of groups, channel political power, promote consumption of goods. Social and political theories as tools in evaluating media impact.

CMGT 528 Web Designs for Organizations (4) Students learn to assess organizations’ online needs, to examine the use of the Internet in terms of electronic commerce and global pressures, and design Web page strategies.

CMGT 530 Social Dynamics of Communication Technologies (4) Impact of television, satellites, computers, and other new technologies; competing theories about the role of technology in society; historical effects of introducing new technologies.

CMGT 531 Communication and the International Economy (4) Examines the impact of global economic changes on communications industries, the political and economic forces shaping these industries and the roles of its managers.


CMGT 533 Emerging Communication Technologies (4) Basics of multimedia; new forms of audio and video interactive technologies; computer communication networks; social, political, cultural, interpersonal, organizational issues related to emerging communication technologies. (Duplicates credit in former COMM 523.)

CMGT 535 Online Communities for Organizations (4) How Web-based technologies affect organizational communication, including issues related to collaboration, innovation and knowledge management, forecasting, and networking. (Duplicates credit in former COMM 535.)

CMGT 536 Team Communication and Leadership (4) Theories of effective team communication and leadership; case studies of effective and ineffective teams and leaders; teamwork and communication development; and distributed work teams.

CMGT 537 The Industry, Science and Culture of Video Games (4) History, social dynamics, and cultural impact of video games; developments in technology and design; issues confronting the video game industry and organizations.

CMGT 540 Uses of Communication Research (4) Applications of both data and interpretation in communications management. Topics include: audience ratings, surveys, experimental tests of programs and campaigns, formative evaluation, secondary data sources.

CMGT 541 Integrated Communication Strategies (4) Communication strategies for product marketing and advertising; communication’s role in developing domestic and international marketplaces; practical applications of persuasion theory.


CMGT 543 Managing Communication in the Entertainment Industry (4) Examination, application and critique of traditional and contemporary organizational communication theory as it applies to the entertainment industry’s unique internal and external environments.

CMGT 544 Creating Organizational Identity: Meaning Through Messages (4) Use of rhetorical theories and communication models to create organizational identification with internal and external audiences; the role of values and ethics in creating identities.

CMGT 545 Communication and Global Competition (4) How communication technologies are used to secure competitive advantage; how firms use communication systems to sustain effective positioning in an industry; convergence of communication industries.

CMGT 546 Sports Media and Society (4) History and evolution of sports media industry; traditional, new and alternative sports media; globalization of sports; sports promotions and personalities.

CMGT 547 Distribution of Recordings: Media, Retail and Online Channels (4) Critical analyses of radio and recording industry development and business strategy; influence of legal and regulatory institutions, impact of new forms of distribution.

CMGT 548 Issues in Children’s Media (4) Historical review of children’s programming; programming genres; ethical and business issues of marketing to children; children’s uses of various media.

CMGT 549 Case Studies in Digital Entertainment (4) Explores case studies of digital media in the digital age; students prepare White Papers on an urgent issue of contemporary digital media and entertainment policy.

CMGT 550 Hollywood 2.0 – Entertainment Industry in the Converging Culture, Age (4) In-depth analysis of the challenges confronting the entertainment industry in the wake of media convergence including a survey of media convergence history and theories.

CMGT 551 Communicating Entertainment Media Identities (4) Understanding dynamics in entertainment markets enabled by emerging digital technologies; broad and niche strategies to target appropriate audiences, building audience engagement with entertainment content identities.

CMGT 552 Visual Storytelling: Production, Management and Culture (4) Focuses on management, production and distribution of scripted film, television and web stories to understand visual storytelling as a communicative strategy for advertising and education.

CMGT 554 Copywriting and Creativity (4) Foundational and advanced practices for copywriting and related design in communication; integrated analysis of concepts and pragmatics surrounding creativity for communication effectiveness.

CMGT 555 Online Marketing Communication Development and Analysis (4) Analysis and development of online communication and marketing campaigns; exploration of current Internet best practices in social media, SEM, privacy, location-based marketing, and online measurement.

CMGT 556 Global Marketing Communication Strategies (4) Communication strategies in a global marketing environment; analysis of global-local challenges and opportunities; effective global integrated communication to create and sustain competitive advantage.

CMGT 557 Communication Policy in the Global Marketplace (4) Comparative analysis of various countries’ communication and information technology policies; examines developments in telecommunication, broadcasting, and entertainment industries and policy questions for global media marketplace.

CMGT 558 The International Entertainment Marketplace (4) Global influences on entertainment industries (broadcasting, film, telecommunications, Internet, video games, and music); case analyses of specific organizations and geographic regions; impact on local cultures.

CMGT 559 Global Hollywood (4) Examines the influence of the transglobal flow of media between the U.S. entertainment industries and other national media industries.

CMGT 560 Communications Policy (4) Evolving regulation of telephone, radio, television, cable, print, and other media. Major policy-makers and decision points in policy-making at local, state, national, and international levels.

CMGT 565 Communication Law and Broadcasting (4) History and present status of broadcast regulations; emphasis on First Amendment, character of regulatory agencies, impact of court decisions, influence of technological advances.


CMGT 567 Internet Policy, Practice and Regulation (4) Examines how legal decisions impact commercial and personal uses of the Internet; regulatory responses to court decisions.

CMGT 571 Communications Technologies (4) Basic technological concepts necessary to understand the
workings of modern communications products and services, to include frequency, bandwidth, electricity, modulation, and digital conversion.

CMGT 573 Evaluating Communication Needs (4) Participation as consultants in field projects. Use of organizational, interpretive, and statistical methods to design organizational communication systems is emphasized.

CMGT 574 Tele-Media: Strategic and Critical Analysis (4) Strategic and critical analyses of emerging and new communication technologies from historical, business, financial, consumer, and policy perspectives.

CMGT 576 Communication Strategies for Conflict Management (4) Communication strategies for effective negotiation, mediation and facilitation of disputes; structures for public interventions; emergence of online dispute resolution systems.

CMGT 577 Communicating Corporate Social Responsibility (4) Evolution, models, metrics and stakeholders. Key communication issues in designing and implementing initiatives, CSR reporting, strategic partnerships and online communities. Analysis of communication paradoxes.

CMGT 578 Non-profit Advocacy (4) Examines non-profit advocacy (vs. for-profit communication) marked by different rhythmic and creative drivers; non-profit audience analysis; creation of conversations for viral communication impact.

CMGT 580 Chinese Media and Society (4) The political economy of communications and information in China’s broader process of development and reentry into global capitalism; particular media and communication conditions and policies.

CMGT 581 Media in Social Services: Design and Evaluation of Campaigns (4) Theory and research issues in the use of media for changing behavior in health, public safety, welfare, and other areas of social services. (Duplicates credit in former COMM 581.)

CMGT 582 Communication for International Development (4) Comparison of traditional communication programs and newer information and communication technologies for analyzing needs of international communities; design, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of development-related projects.

CMGT 583 Social Marketing and Entertainment Education (4) Theoretical foundations of social marketing and entertainment education; uses of dramatic serials, telenovelas and animation to promote human rights; program design, evaluation.

CMGT 584 Communication and the Multicultural Marketplace (4) Popular culture and marketing communication; race, gender, sexual orientation and consumer culture; consumption patterns and identity, loyalty and self-actualization; cultural marketing campaigns and sociopolitical conflict.

CMGT 585 Communication Leadership in the Entertainment Industry (4) Examination of the communicative elements of leadership in entertainment products and processes; the role of communication experts in supporting, coaching and facilitating entertainment leadership.

CMGT 586 Entertainment Media: Content, Theory, and Industry Practices (4) Examination of social scientific theory and research on patterns of media content; effects of mass media exposure on individuals and society; and industry practices.

CMGT 587 Audience Analysis (4) Fundamental principles of audience research; critique of existing methodologies; implications for global audiences and mass media markets.

CMGT 590 Directed Research (1-12) Research leading to the master’s degree. Maximum units which may be applied to the degree to be determined by the school. Graded CR/NC. (Duplicates credit in former COMM 590.)

CMGT 591 Communication Internship (1-3, max 3. FAlSpSm) Field experience in applying communication principles to settings in organizations, campaigns, or other contexts; analysis and assessment of issues and problems. Open to master’s degree students in the School of Communication.

CMGT 592 Theory and Practice of Professional Presentations (2) Application of communication and persuasion theories in the creation of oral presentations; critical assessment of the role of new technologies for professional presentations. Not available for students in the M.A. and Ph.D. programs in communication. Graded CR/NC.

CMGT 592ab Communication Research Practicum (2, FaSpSm) Students design and produce an original project appropriate for their emphasis area within the Master of Communication degree. Open to Master of Communication Management students only. Prerequisite: CMGT 501 and CMGT 540. (Duplicates credit in former CMGT 592.)

CMGT 599 Special Topics (1-4, max 8)

Digital Social Media (DSM)

DSM 510 Introduction to Digital Social Media (4, Sp) Explores the sector of digital social media and online communities, with a focus on user experience, social impact, strategic content creation, and models for success. (Duplicates credit in former CMGT 534.) Open only to digital social media majors.

DSM 520 Managing Technologies for Digital Media (4, Sp) Students learn strategy and decision-making for the technical development and management of online sites and mobile apps, including management of platforms, languages, products, and tools. (Duplicates credit in former CMGT 538.) Open only to digital social media majors.

DSM 550 Analytics and Research Methodology (4, Sm) Teaches the use and interpretation of digital analytics as well as the use of research design, methodology, and basic statistics for digital sites and apps. Prerequisite: DSM 510 and DSM 520. Open only to digital social media majors.

DSM 560 Digital Media Policy, Law, Practices, and Regulation (4, Fa) Explores laws, policies, and regulations affecting digital social media, including intellectual property, finances, digital content, and gaming. Prerequisite: DSM 550. Open only to digital social media majors.

DSM 596 Final Project Capstone (4, Fa) Teams of students develop working sites or apps. Development includes pitching, conceptualizing, developing, and launching of funded, final projects. Prerequisite: DSM 510, DSM 520, DSM 550. Open only to digital social media majors.

Public Diplomacy (PUBD)

PUBD 500 Introduction to the Advanced Study of Public Diplomacy (4) Introduction to the advanced academic study of public diplomacy from multidisciplinary perspectives: including media and communication, international relations and history.

PUBD 502 Historical and Comparative Approaches to Public Diplomacy (4) Examines historical and comparative approaches to public diplomacy. Explores public diplomacy operations in public and private settings, by individuals and institutions. Reviews traditional, critical, war, and peace perspectives.

PUBD 504 Global Issues and Public Diplomacy (4) Focuses on critical global issues/challenges that require some form of intervention from the international community. Taught with active leading strategies: case studies and “problem-based learning.”

PUBD 508 The Rhetoric of War and Peace (4) Special exercise in “Think Tank” procedure that explores rhetorics of war and peace from a 21st century perspective.

PUBD 509 Advocacy in Public Diplomacy: Argumentation and Debate (4) Skills and theory based approach to the criticism and development of public diplomacy campaigns. Emphasizes the instruction of advocacy skills to assess the utility of specific campaigns.

PUBD 510 Technologies and Public Diplomacy (4) Explores relationship between diplomacy and technological change. Emphasis on question of how new media may force us to rethink traditional frameworks of public diplomacy.

PUBD 512 Cultural Diplomacy (4) Provides overview of formal cultural diplomacy and concentrates on ways in which non-governmental entities communicate across international boundaries and the effects of those interchanges.

PUBD 514 Corporate Diplomacy (4) Provides basic public diplomacy and public relations tools for global organizations and their foreign publics.

PUBD 515 Transnational Diplomacy and Global Security (4) Examination of the historical and theoretical basis of diplomatic relationships between states, international organizations, and transnational non-state actors in developing global peace and security policies.

PUBD 516 International Broadcasting (4) History, context and practice of global international broadcasting strategies; technological and financial parameters that shape future international broadcasting strategies; use of radio, television, and Internet.

PUBD 518 International Exchanges and Public Diplomacy (4) Examination of educational and cultural exchanges; variety and experience of participants, flagship exchange programs, economic and social implications of the programs, and measurement of outcomes.

PUBD 519 News Media and the Foreign Policy Process (4) Analysis of news media’s role in contemporary diplomacy; historical context; consideration of the professional practices of journalists and those who devise and implement foreign policy.

PUBD 520 Regional Studies in Public Diplomacy (4, max 16) In-depth examination of historical, political, economic, cultural factors that influence public diplomacy efforts within specific geographic regions.

PUBD 522 Hard Power, Soft Power and Smart Power (4) Institutional and cultural perspectives on instruments of state power; military, intelligence, trade, and traditional diplomacy; strategic analyses for
covering major course selection and university degree requirements.

To meet accreditation guidelines, a minimum of 72 units must be completed outside the major area of journalism. A maximum of 16 units of course work taken prior to high school graduation and a combined 32 units of AP, IB and pre-high school graduation course work will count toward this requirement. Journalism and public relations majors can take up to a maximum of 48 journalism units; however, the major unit total (44 units) cannot be exceeded, unless the student has fulfilled the accreditation requirement.

A grade point average of at least C (2.0) on all baccalaureate units attempted at USC, as well as on the combined USC-transfer GPA, is required for undergraduate degrees. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 in all upper division courses applied toward the major is also required. Students must complete each journalism class with at least a grade of C- in order to count the course toward a major requirement. Journalism courses with a grade of D+ or below must be repeated; courses may only be retaken once.

**Admission Requirements**

Admission is competitive. Fall 2013 incoming freshmen had an average GPA of 3.69 with an SAT score of 1240-2130 (middle 50%). Transfer students had an average college GPA of 3.66. For admission information and deadlines, refer to the USC Admission Website. All transfer applicants must review the transfer admission application guidelines on the Annenberg Website: contact the Annenberg Admissions Office for more information. USC exclusively uses the Common Application for freshman and transfer admission. Applicants must submit the Common Application and the USC Supplement, both of which can be accessed at commonapp.org. In addition to the university writing samples, a 250-word statement of Intent is required; instructions are included with the USC Supplement. Upon admission to the School of Journalism, students will lose transfer credits earned in journalism and public relations course work completed at another college or university.

Students currently enrolled at USC who wish to change their major to journalism must file a formal application with all supporting documents through the Annenberg Student Services Office. Students must have 16 units completed at USC with a minimum GPA of 3.0 in order to be eligible to apply. The 3.0 GPA is a minimum standard and does not guarantee admission.

**General Education Requirements**

The university’s general education program provides coherently integrated introduction to the breadth of knowledge you will need to consider yourself (and to be considered by other people) a generally well-educated person. This program requires six courses in different categories, plus writing, foreign language and diversity requirements, which together comprise the USC Core. See The USC Core and the General Education Program for more information.

**Core Curriculum**

The School of Journalism’s core curriculum prepares students to write and report for print, broadcast and online media. Print and digital journalism, and broadcast and digital journalism students are required to complete both print and broadcast newswriting and print and broadcast reporting classes. Print and digital journalism majors must complete a newspaper editing and design class; broadcast and digital journalism majors must complete a broadcast production class. In addition to the online media elements integrated into the newswriting and reporting classes, print and digital journalism and
broadcast and digital journalism majors must complete an introduction to online media course.

Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation (GSP) Requirement

Journalism majors enrolled in JOUR 202 and public relations majors enrolled in JOUR 209 are required to complete the Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation (GSP) online tutorial before the end of the semester. This test must be taken and passed by the last day of class. Students who do not pass the test will be allowed to retake it once. Students who fail to complete the GSP tutorial within the allotted time frame will not be allowed to progress in the program and will be dismissed from the major.

Note: Students with disabilities may register with the Disabilities Services and Programs office (DSP) so the DSP staff can assess the nature of the students’ disabilities and recommend the appropriate accommodations to be provided for each student.

Broadcast and Digital Journalism Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts

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Advertising Minor

The advertising minor is designed for students interested in building a career in, or developing a better understanding of, the field of advertising. It explores the key role played by advertising in today’s global economy. At no time has advertising been more successful or more controversial than it is today, and this program will explore both the positives and the negatives. Emphasis is placed throughout the program on both the practical skills required to meet the demands of the marketplace and the theoretical underpinnings of those practices. Program content includes: the history of advertising; creation of written and visual advertising elements; the measurement, selection and analysis of media; the concept of “branding;” the role of advertising in creating and maintaining successful brands; the analysis of advertising campaign case studies; and the creation of integrated marketing communications campaigns.

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News Media and Society Minor

News media and society is a journalism minor that explores the responsibilities, the influence, the ethics and the diversity of the news media. It explores the myths about news media in the United States and explains what the news media are, how they work, what they do wrong and what they do right, and why they are important to a society whose citizens depend on the free and unfettered flow of information. This minor will help all students in all majors to understand one of the most important and misunderstood forces in American society: the news media.

News media and society benefits every student at the University of Westminster in London, one of the leading British institutions for the academic and professional study of public relations and media, culture and society. Students will be integrated into the University of Westminster, and will take courses across the four Westminster campus locations around central London. Students will live in the central London district of Marylebone, and will be immersed into the public relations and media hub that is London.

Students earn 8 USC journalism elective units and 8 social sciences units.

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Minor in Media Economics and Entrepreneurship

The interdisciplinary minor in media economics and entrepreneurship is available to students in all schools and departments. It introduces students to the trends of the contemporary media and information industries and gives them an understanding of the role that entrepreneurship plays in the new economy. Students with professional media industry aspirations will learn basic economic literacy and discover the key factors that shape competition in information markets. Further, the minor fosters an entrepreneurial mindset in students and helps them to develop the entrepreneurial skills required to build successful careers and ventures in the media and information sector. For more details see the School of Communication.

Minor in Nonprofits, Philanthropy and Volunteering

This four course minor enables students to learn about the nonprofit sector – its organizations, philanthropy and voluntary action. See complete description in the USC Price School of Public Policy section.

Annenberg International Programs

Spring Semester in London (Journalism)

The spring semester program offers students the opportunity to study at City University in London. Participants will be close observers of the British media and will have an opportunity for personal and direct comparison between the more structured and governmentally controlled media system of the United Kingdom and the laissez faire approach to media regulation in the United States. Students earn 8 USC journalism elective units and 8 social sciences units.

Spring Semester in London (Public Relations)

In the spring of their junior year, USC Annenberg public relations students can spend a spring semester at the University of Westminster in London, one of the leading British institutions for the academic and professional study of public relations and media, culture and society. Students will be integrated into the University of Westminster, and will take courses across the four Westminster campus locations around central London. Students will live in the central London district of Marylebone, and will be immersed into the public relations and media hub that is London.

Students earn a total of 16 units at Westminster; up to 8 USC upper division journalism elective units toward their public relations major and 8 general electives units.

Spring Semester in New Zealand (Journalism and Public Relations)

The semester program offers students the opportunity to study at the Auckland University of Technology in New Zealand.
Zealand, a leading southern hemisphere school of journalism and media studies. Fully integrated into the university and its vibrant urban surroundings with strong connections to the nation's indigenous heritage, the program allows students to earn 8 units that fulfill journalism electives and 8 units of general electives.

**Summer Internship in South Africa (Advanced Journalism Majors)**

Students participating in this three-week program will report extensively on the National Arts Festival in Grahamstown, South Africa. The festival is the largest of its kind on the continent and attracts performers from all over the world. Students report for Cue Magazine, a publication managed and run by Rhodes University. Students will receive one unit of internship credit.


The International Communication Studies program (ICS) allows undergraduate students to study a range of approaches to public communication media across Europe.

Students divide the five-week course into stays in Los Angeles, London, Paris, Prague and Rome. In addition to regular class meetings, students discuss the interplay of current world issues with professional media practices, with communication practitioners from international news and public relations media, government institutions, private industry and global organizations.

Students enroll in JOUR 482 Comparative Media in Europe (4 units).

For further information, contact Annenberg International Programs at (213) 821-1276, email ascintlg@usc.edu or visit annenberg.usc.edu/international.

**Honor Society**

Lambda Pi Eta is a national communication/journalism honor society that is open to declared communication, journalism and public relations majors who have completed (or are currently registered for) at least 60 units, at least 12 of which are in the major. To be eligible, students must have a USC GPA and a major GPA of 3.5 or higher.

**Academic Integrity Policy**

Since its founding in 1971, the USC School of Journalism has maintained a commitment to the highest standards of ethical conduct and academic excellence. Any student found plagiarizing, fabricating, cheating on examinations, and/or purchasing papers or other assignments faces sanctions ranging from an “F” on the assignment to dismissal from the School of Journalism.

**Graduate Degrees**

The School of Journalism offers one Master of Science degree program in journalism, one certificate in Journalism and three Master of Arts degree programs in Specialized Journalism, Specialized Journalism (The Arts) and Strategic Public Relations. Students enrolling in the M.S. in Journalism will be given a list of recommended courses to take if they are interested in specific careers such as Long-Form Video, News Video, Audio, Text or Digital. Long-Form Video is for students interested in video documentary production. News Video is for students interested in television news and other video news environments including the Web. Audio is for students interested in radio production, both news and long-form, or any other audio news environments. Text is for students interested in any form of print or electronic publication including newspapers and magazines, or any other text news environment. The Specialized Journalism degree is designed for experienced professionals and recent journalism graduates interested in developing specialized reporting expertise.

The professionally oriented Strategic Public Relations degree is designed to train both recent graduates and professionals considering transitions into, or seeking to advance their careers in that field, for management-level positions in all types of organizations. In their first year all students take a core group of courses focusing on strategic problem-solving, research-based actionable insight, business acumen and skills, and in their second year they choose from a wide variety of highly specialized electives.

**Admission Requirements**

**Prerequisites**

An applicant must have the equivalent of a four-year bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university for the M.S. or M.A. degree. This is not required for the graduate journalism certificate.

**Criteria**

Minimum recommended criteria are a 3.0 GPA for undergraduate work and all graduate work, and valid Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) General Test scores; the GMAT is not accepted in lieu of the GRE. International applicants are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and should receive a score of at least 114-115 on the Internet-based exam; or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). All completed applications are reviewed by the faculty admission committee even if the applicant's academic quality is below the minimum recommendations.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to take the Graduate Record Examinations one month prior to the application deadline. GRE scores are valid for five years; TOEFL and IELTS are valid for two years.

In addition, applicants are judged on a statement of purpose, résumé, writing sample and three letters of recommendation submitted on their behalf. Professional journalism or internship experience is expected for the M.S. in Journalism and required for the nine-month degree program in Specialized Journalism. A professional work bibliography and samples must be uploaded to the online application. No professional public relations work experience is required for the M.A. in Strategic Public Relations.

**Procedure**

Applicants must complete and submit the online USC Graduate Admission Application. Refer to the Annenberg graduate application guidelines on the Annenberg Website for details before initiating the application. In addition, international students must submit official TOEFL or IELTS scores for admission consideration and, after submitting the online graduate admission application, a Confidential Statement for Financing Studies at USC.

Applicants must upload the following supporting materials to the online USC Graduate Admission Application: statement of purpose, unofficial copy of all transcripts, writing sample and résumé. Letters of recommendation must be submitted online. Official GRE and TOEFL or IELTS scores must be reported electronically from the Educational Testing Service (ETS) to USC (institution code 4852). Paper copies of score reports are not required or accepted in lieu of the official ETS report. Official transcripts must be mailed to USC Graduate Admission.

The Annenberg School admits new students to the M.A. in Strategic Public Relations degree programs for the fall semester only. Refer to the Annenberg Website for application filing dates.

New students are admitted to the M.S. in Journalism, the M.A. in Specialized Journalism and the M.A. in Specialized Journalism (The Arts) for the summer session only. Refer to the graduate application guidelines on the Annenberg Website for application filing dates.

**Degree Requirements**

All course work applied toward a degree must be approved by the School of Journalism and the Graduate School.

**Master of Science and Master of Arts**

Studies toward the Master of Science in Journalism require 36 units of prescribed courses and approved electives in the student’s field of study. Studies toward the Master of Arts in Strategic Public Relations require 40 units of prescribed courses and approved electives in the student’s field of study. Students may take, with prior approval, two of their electives outside the school. No more than 12 units of 400-level course work may be applied toward the Master of Science in Journalism and the Master of Arts in Strategic Public Relations. Studies toward the Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism require 34 units of prescribed courses and approved electives. No more than 10 units of 400-level course work may be applied toward the Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism. Students who earn a GPA of below 3.0 will be placed on academic probation and must improve according to established terms if they are to remain in the school. In the case of courses offered on Credit/No Credit (CR/NC) basis, faculty review of competence will be substituted for grades.

**Residence**

The School of Journalism will accept only 4 units of approved transferred graduate credit. Normally, full-time students in the Master of Science in Journalism can complete the program in two semesters, plus the three-week summer immersion before classes start. Normally, full-time students in the Master of Arts in Strategic Public Relations can complete the program in four semesters. The Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism can be completed in a nine-month enrollment cycle that includes the three-week summer session, plus the fall and spring semesters. These programs may be attended on a part-time basis.

**Foreign Language/Research Tool Requirements**

There is no foreign language or research tool requirement for the master’s degree.

**Course Requirements**

A master's degree in journalism requires 36 units and a master's degree in strategic public relations requires 40 units. To graduate, journalism students must complete a professional capstone project. To graduate, strategic public relations students may elect the thesis or comprehensive examination option. Students electing the professional project must enroll in JOUR 594b Journalism Capstone Project (3 units). Students electing the thesis option are required to enroll in JOUR 594ab (2-2 units). A master's degree in specialized journalism requires 34 units. Specialized journalism students must complete the professional project thesis option and enroll in JOUR 594ab (2-2 units).

**Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation (GSP)**

Journalism and strategic public relations graduate students are required to complete an online tutorial about Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation (GSP) and pass the
GSP test before the end of the fall semester of their first year. Students who fail to complete the GSP tutorial and pass the test within the stated time frame will not be allowed to progress in the program and will be dismissed from the School of Journalism. Specialized journalism graduate students are not required to take this online tutorial or the GSP test.

Note: Students with disabilities may register with the Disabilities Services and Programs office (DSP) so the DSP staff can assess the nature of the students’ disabilities and recommend the appropriate accommodations to be provided for each student.

Thesis/Comprehensive Examination

The thesis option will take two forms: (1) a professional project presenting the results of an extensive public relations project completed by the student; or (2) a research thesis presenting the results of primary research undertaken by the student. In either case, students must establish a guidance committee of three faculty members. The chair must be a full-time faculty member in the School of Journalism. The second member will usually be a full-time Journalism faculty member but may be a person connected with USC in other positions who has specific knowledge of the student’s topic. In the latter case, the chair of the committee will submit for the director’s approval a detailed presentation of the qualifications of the proposed committee member that justify his or her inclusion. In exceptional circumstances, this committee member may come from outside USC. A detailed presentation of qualifications will be required. The third committee member should be a full-time USC faculty member from outside the School of Journalism. The committee is ultimately subject to the approval of the school dean.

Students must secure approval of the professional project or thesis prior to enrollment in JOUR 594a. Students who elect the thesis option are required to enroll in JOUR 594a (2-2 units) normally during their second year of study. The 4 units will count toward the approved elective units. Specialized journalism students normally enroll in JOUR 594ab (2-2 units) in their single year of study.

The comprehensive examination option allows students to complete the degree by passing a comprehensive examination in their last semester of course work. The comprehensive examination option is not available to students in the journalism or specialized journalism degree program.

Journalism Curriculum

Students enrolled in the Master of Science in Journalism are required to take 4 units in the summer and 16 units of required journalism courses in the spring and fall. These courses provide intensive preparation considered necessary for graduate studies in journalism at USC. In the 21st century, it is imperative that all journalists understand the basic techniques of writing, reporting and production for text, video, audio and digital media. Upon graduation, students will be routinely expected to function in all news media whether it be in traditional media such as television, radio, newspapers and magazines, or whether it be in new media such as electronic publications, Websites and new video and audio environments. The four required journalism courses in the summer and fall are:

- JOUR 528 Summer Digital News Immersion enables students in a three-week intensive course to learn the basics of newswriting, news judgment and technology skills for text, video-audio, and digital environments. Students also learn the fundamentals of journalism ethics, law and covering a diverse society.
- JOUR 531 Fall Digital News Immersion gives students a more in-depth experience in digital journalism by providing direct instruction about reporting and writing across multiple platforms and placing them in Annenberg’s Converged Media Center to produce professional stories and packages.
- JOUR 505 The Practice: Journalism’s Evolution as a Profession gives students an appreciation for and an understanding of the relationship between journalism’s past and the present, linked by the evolution of journalism as a profession. A special emphasis will be placed on ethics and changing standards and practices in the digital age.
- JOUR 560 Seminar in Mass Communication Law gives students the opportunity to study the legal issues facing journalists today. Students are expected to learn the basic workings of the legal system in the United States, the legal rules that apply to journalists in the United States, how to avoid being sued, and how to write clearly about legal issues.

The three required journalism courses in the spring are:

- JOUR 547 The Business of News teaches how the business model of news organizations has evolved over time and how it is being reinvented for the future. The course also explores different strategies for monetizing content.
- JOUR 546 News and Numbers provides an overview of the basic quantitative analysis tools and techniques essential to give perspective to a story or to put it in context.
- JOUR 598 Journalism Capstone Project guides students through the production of a journalism capstone project with multimedia elements for a master’s degree. Projects can be single stand-alone pieces, or series of pieces.

Master of Science in Journalism

Course requirements (20 Units)

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Students interested in specific journalistic platforms are encouraged to select an emphasis and complete the recommended courses for that emphasis:

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Certificate in Journalism

The certificate program requires students to complete a three-week, four-unit course in August, and then complete 16 units during the fall semester, for a total of 20 units.

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Master of Arts in Strategic Public Relations

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Students electing the thesis option are required to enroll in JOUR 594a (2-2 units) and must complete 18 units of approved elective courses. Students electing the comprehensive examination option must complete 22 units of approved elective courses.

Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism

Course requirements (14 Units)

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<td>JOUR 581</td>
<td>Specialized Journalism: Research</td>
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The Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism is a program designed toward experiential learning for those who are choosing to specialize in a field of journalism that requires advanced reporting skills and subject matter expertise. The program is also open to recent journalism school graduates with records of excellence in their field of specialization. These courses will be drawn from regular graduate and 400 level courses taught across the School of Journalism and 16 units of approved elective course work from faculty recommended lists in at least two arts schools, with at least 8 units from one school. The arts schools are Architecture, Cinematic Arts, Dance, Dramatic Arts, Fine Arts and Music.

Students must begin the program in early August, enrolling in a required 2-unit, intensive session course focused on journalism and society and on new media. In addition to the formal classes, the course includes multimedia skills workshops and integral parts. This gateway course provides the master’s students with a working knowledge of the specialized journalism background and the multimedia storytelling skills necessary for study in the program. It sets the stage for two semesters of access to courses as substantively broad as a major research university such as USC makes available and for advanced courses in the School of Journalism’s graduate program.

In the fall semester, students will enroll in two courses in the School of Journalism, including a research methods course for journalists and typically a specialized reporting course. With the advice of their faculty mentors, students will select elective course work totaling 8 units appropriate to their fields of specialization. These courses will be drawn from regular graduate and 400 level courses taught across the university and will require approval of the faculty mentor in the School of Journalism. Students will also begin research for their master’s professional project. These projects will be extended works of journalism, such as a full-length magazine article, similar radio, television or multimedia treatments or the equivalent in their professional field.

In the spring semester, students will enroll in a journalism seminar focused on the reporting and analysis of decision making and typically an approved elective in the Annenberg School. Students will also enroll in elective course work totaling 8 units, chosen again from offerings across the university and in consultation with their faculty mentors. Finally, students will complete their master’s professional project.

The nine-month program has been designed for a fall and spring semester enrollment cycle; however, students may also elect to complete the program on a part-time basis.

Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism (The Arts)

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<td>JOUR 591 Arts Writing Practicum</td>
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<td>JOUR 592 Specialized Journalism: Reporting the Arts</td>
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*One elective course must be taken from an Annenberg School program in JOUR, COMM, CMGT or PUBD.

The nine-month program has been designed for a fall and spring semester enrollment cycle; however, students may also elect to complete the program on a part-time basis.

Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism (The Arts)

The Master of Arts in Specialized Journalism (The Arts) is a program for journalists as well as recent graduates holding bachelor’s degrees in journalism or one of the arts or experienced practitioners with a background in the arts who seek to specialize in coverage of the arts and culture. Students will complete 18 units of specialized journalism coursework, including a master’s professional project, taken within USC Annenberg’s School of Journalism and 16 units of approved elective course work from faculty-recommended lists in at least two arts schools with at least 8 units from one school. The arts schools are Architecture, Cinematic Arts, Dance, Dramatic Arts, Fine Arts and Music.

Students must begin the program in early August, enrolling in a required 2-unit intensive summer session course focused on journalism and society and on new media. In addition to the formal classes, this course includes discussions and workshops as integral parts. This gateway course provides students with a working knowledge of the specialized journalism background and the multimedia storytelling skills necessary for study in the program. It sets the stage for two semesters of access to courses as substantively broad as a major research university such as USC makes available.

In the fall semester, students will enroll in a master’s thesis and an arts reporting seminar. With the advice of their faculty mentors, students will select elective course work totaling 8 units appropriate to their fields of specialization. These courses will be drawn from regular graduate and 400 level courses taught across the university and will require approval of the faculty mentor in the School of Journalism. Students will also begin research for their master’s professional project. These projects will be extended works of journalism, such as a full-length magazine article, similar radio, television or multimedia treatments or the equivalent in their professional field.

In the spring semester, students will enroll in a journalism course focused on the reporting and analysis of decision-making and an arts criticism and commentary course. Students will enroll in elective course work totaling 8 units, chosen again from offerings across the arts schools and in consultation with the faculty mentors and approved by a three-member committee. Finally, students will complete their master’s professional project.

The nine-month program has been designed for a fall and spring semester enrollment cycle; however, students may also elect to complete the program on a part-time basis with the approval of the director of the School of Journalism.

Annenberg International Programs

Graduate Journalism Internships — China (Hong Kong or Shanghai), South Africa or United Kingdom

Journalism master’s degree students may spend eight weeks at internships in Cape Town, Hong Kong, London or Shanghai during the summer after their first year of graduate study at USC. Students apply to Annenberg International Programs in the fall semester of their first year. From mid-May to mid-July, they then enroll in JOUR 540 International Journalism Seminar I and JOUR 545 International Internships in the Media while working full-time at internships with prominent media organizations.

Graduate Strategic Public Relations Internships — China (Hong Kong or Shanghai), South Africa or United Kingdom

Strategic Public Relations master’s degree students may spend eight weeks at internships in Cape Town, Hong Kong, London or Shanghai during the summer after their first year of graduate study at USC. Students apply in the fall semester of their first year. From mid-May to mid-July, they then enroll in JOUR 540 International Journalism Seminar I and JOUR 545 International Internships in the Media while working full-time at internships with prominent public relations organizations.

For further information, contact Annenberg International Programs at (213) 821-1276, email ascintl@usc.edu or visit annenberg.usc.edu/international.

Academic Integrity Policy

Since its founding in 1971, the USC School of Journalism has maintained a commitment to the highest standards of ethical conduct and academic excellence. Any student found plagiarizing, fabricating, cheating on examinations and/or purchasing papers or other assignments faces sanctions ranging from an “F” on the assignment to dismissal from the School of Journalism.

Courses of Instruction

Annenberg school for communication and journalism (ASCJ)

ASCJ 100 The Changing World of Communication and Journalism (2, Fa) Survey of major themes in media and communication; exploring what it means to be a professional in the fields of communication, journalism, and public relations.

Journalism (JOUR)

The terms indicated are expected but are not guaranteed. For the courses offered during any given term, consult the Schedule of Classes.

JOUR 190 Introduction to Journalism (2, Fa) Survey of all media and outlets including print, broadcasting, public relations and online journalism, plus analysis of what it means to be a professional journalist.

JOUR 201 History of News in Modern America (4, FaSpSm) Understanding news today. A survey of how news is gathered, weighed, and disseminated and how historical events have shaped news in the 20th century.


JOUR 205 Journalism Practicum (1-2, 2, FaSpSm) Field experience in journalism, public relations, or related field. Graded CR/NC.
JOUR 209 Effective Writing for Strategic Public Relations (4, FaSp) Focus on the unique writing requirements of social, online, broadcast, print and other media in public relations/strategic communication; emphasis on judgment, context and audience understanding.

JOUR 210X Basics of News Production for Non-Majors (1, max 6, FaSp) Introduction to television, radio, and/or digital news production. Examination of issues in journalism. Graded CR/NC.

JOUR 250 Strategic Public Relations: An Introduction (4, FaSp) Strategies and practices in the growing field of public relations/strategic communication, including landmark cases; special emphasis on historical roots, evolution, current and future practice. (Duplicates credit in former JOUR 350.)

JOUR 253 Theoretical Foundations of Strategic Public Relations (4, FaSp) Emphasis on conceptual, intellectual and analytical skills; knowledge of applied theory for the changing field of public relations/strategic communication. (Duplicates credit in former JOUR 353.) Prerequisite: JOUR 250.

JOUR 302 Reporting: Print (3, Sp) Introduction to basic reporting techniques, public records reporting and beginning investigative journalism. Social responsibility and ethical framework for print journalists. Prerequisite: JOUR 202, JOUR 203; concurrent enrollment: JOUR 303.

JOUR 303 Reporting: Broadcast (3, Sp) Introduction to field reporting, audio and visual media. Social responsibility and ethical framework for broadcast journalists. Prerequisite: JOUR 202, JOUR 203; concurrent enrollment: JOUR 302.

JOUR 306 Production: Broadcast (3, Fa) Studio and field production for audio and visual media. Social responsibility and ethical framework involving broadcast non-fiction production. Prerequisite: JOUR 202, JOUR 203.


JOUR 309 Introduction to Online Media (3, FaSp) Convergence journalism and online skill sets. Blogs and Web content production. Social responsibility and ethical framework in digital information technology. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 310 Investigative Reporting (4, FaSp) Reportorial and analytical skills and techniques required for portraying and evaluating contemporary newsworthy events; lectures, discussions. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 330 Photojournalism (4, FaSp) Emphasis on fundamental skills necessary for photojournalism including camera techniques, story ideas and digital darkroom.

JOUR 340 Introduction to Advertising (4, FaSp) History and development of advertising; basic advertising campaigns showing relationships of marketing, creative, print and electronic media.

JOUR 341 Advertising Copywriting (4, Fa) Writing and editing for advertising and commercial copy for all media. Prerequisite: JOUR 340.

JOUR 342 Advertising Media and Analysis (4, Fa) Selling, planning, buying for the media; advertising's relationship to society and business; media choice. Prerequisite: JOUR 340.

JOUR 343 Advertising Design and Production (4, Sp) Production of advertising materials; emphasis on the creation and design of advertising elements. Prerequisite: JOUR 340.

JOUR 351ab Strategic Public Relations Media and Content (4-4, FaSp) a: Introduction to media relations, social media and influencer engagement; intensive writing and creating multimedia content for traditional, emerging and social media. Prerequisite: JOUR 209 and JOUR 250. b: Advanced course in writing, digital content and multimedia production; production of communications collateral for social and owned media channels targeting an array of audiences.

JOUR 377 Censorship and the Law: From the Press to Cyberspace (4) (Enroll in COMM 377)

JOUR 377 Journalism Ethics Goes to the Movies (4, Sp) Ethical issues facing journalists in the complex world of legacy media, social media and the Internet as dramatized in the movies and in the newsroom.


JOUR 380 Sports, Business and Media in Today's Society (4, FaSp) An inside look at the symbiotic relationship of sports and the media - from the interdependence of sports and media, to the coverage of sports in newspapers, magazines, radio and television. The economic and ethical issues involved, the conflicts of interest, the history and current status of sports coverage in American media today.


JOUR 390 Special Problems (1-4, Irregular) Supervised, individual studies. No more than one registration permitted. Enrollment by petition only.

JOUR 400 Interpretive Writing (4) Weekly assignments in the shorter forms of newspaper and magazine writing: essays, reviews, editorials, opinion-page articles, profiles; analyses of major 20th century journalists. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 401I Online Site Management and Production for Journalists (4, FaSp) Work as executive producers and manage NeonTommy.com, a major website; operate its content management system, produce, curate and aggregate journalism.

JOUR 402 Advanced Television Reporting (4, FaSp) Role of the broadcast journalism reporter; similarities and differences between print and electronic media; application of audio-video equipment; analysis and practical experience. Prerequisite: JOUR 306.

JOUR 403 Television News Production (4, FaSp) Production of television news programs; preparation and treatment of form and content; procedures, problems, and practice in planning and producing broadcast news materials. Prerequisite: JOUR 306.

JOUR 405 Non-Fiction Television (4, FaSp) Presentation and selection in non-fiction television programs including documentaries, electronic magazines and news series; ethical problems, field research, reporting, interviewing, pre-production. Prerequisite: JOUR 306.

JOUR 407 Newsradio (4) Production of radio news: research, reporting, writing, preparation and treatment of form and content; procedures, problems and practice in producing radio news programs.


JOUR 410 Radio Documentary (4) In-depth reporting for public radio news: writing, editing, advanced vocal delivery. Production of long-form radio features and short documentaries. Prerequisite: JOUR 409.

JOUR 412 Introduction to Online Publishing (4) Introduction to the methods, theory and production of news publishing on the World Wide Web including basic HTML, graphics production and news design.

JOUR 413 Introduction to Online Journalism (4) An introduction to the methods and theory of news publishing on the World Wide Web, with an emphasis on journalism skills and techniques. (Duplicates credit in JOUR 412.) Prerequisite: ITP 101X or ITP 105X.

JOUR 420 Advanced Photojournalism (4) Emphasis on advanced photojournalism techniques for complex photo storytelling: focus on style, content, design, expression and ethics. Prerequisite: JOUR 330.

JOUR 421 Photo Editing for News Media (4) Emphasis on understanding, selection and power of photographs; how they work in concert with words and graphics to inform the public.

JOUR 422 Visual Journalism (4) Emphasis on photographic storytelling in print, video and Web-based media; understanding of visual thinking and imagery techniques.


JOUR 428 Social, Legal and Ethical Foundations of Public Relations (4, FaSp) Covers the complex intersection of social, legal and ethical standards, regulations, ethical practices and decision making, and social responsibilities for public relations/strategic communication practitioners. Prerequisite: JOUR 250.

JOUR 429 Business and Economic Foundations of Public Relations (4, FaSp) Relationship between public relations/strategic communication and other organizational disciplines; understanding business goals and objectives; economic literacy; financial/investor relations; how PR/communication agencies are built and managed. Prerequisite: JOUR 250.

JOUR 430 Writing the Film Review (4, Sp) Techniques of writing the film review; preparation and treatment of form and content; problems, responsibilities and ethics of film reviewing. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 431 Feature Writing (4, FaSp) Techniques of writing newspaper feature stories, including the profile, the light feature, the news feature, the in-depth story; the art of narrative writing. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 432 Sports Commentary (4, Fa) Techniques of reporting and writing sports columns and commentary for print, video, radio and Web-based media.

JOUR 433 Writing About Science (4, Sp) Techniques of writing about science, including news, profiles, features and commentary.
JOUR 435 Writing Magazine Non-Fiction (4, FaSp) A seminar in "how to" interview, research, write – and place – professional quality articles for a full range of magazines/newspapers including women's, sports, ethnic, local and national. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 436 Magazine Production (4) Publishing and production technologies; economics of magazine publishing including cost analysis, marketing, advertising, and circulation. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 440 Environmental Journalism (4, Sp) Techniques of reporting and writing about the environment. Includes both theory and practice needed for reporters specializing in this area of journalism. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 441 Sports Reporting (2, Sp) News and feature coverage of sporting events, including social and economic factors influencing sports in America. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 443 Business Reporting (4) Techniques of reporting and writing about business, economics and finance. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 444 Reporting on Religion (4) Provides print, online and broadcast journalists with basic tools for reporting on the religion angle of news stories. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 446 Entertainment Reporting (2, Sp) Techniques of reporting and writing about the entertainment business, economics and finances. Analysis of the skills and background needed for reporters specializing in this area of the news. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 447 Arts Reporting (2, Sp) Techniques of reporting and writing about the arts, including television, film, theatre, music, graphic arts, architecture and design. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 448 Government and Public Affairs Reporting (4, Fa) Techniques for covering beats that are the foundation of daily newspaper reporting, including crime, education, immigration and local government. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 449 Reporting Los Angeles (2, FaSp) Specialized reporting class focused on Los Angeles that requires intensive fieldwork in the neighborhoods, ethnic communities, and/or among local institutions. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 450 Advanced Strategic Public Relations (4, FaSp) In-depth study of methods for planning, managing and evaluating strategic communication campaigns; critical analysis of contemporary cases; development of campaigns for real world clients. Prerequisite: JOUR 353B, JOUR 463.

JOUR 451 Promotional Public Relations (4) Principles and practices of public relations as a basic component in the promotion and marketing of goods and services; regulatory considerations; consumerism. Prerequisite: JOUR 250.

JOUR 452 Public Relations in Entertainment (4, Sp) Public relations in the design, promotion, and presentation of popular entertainment, including films, broadcasting, music, exposions, amusement parks, resorts and arenas.

JOUR 454 Sports Public Relations (2, FaSp) Introduction to the field of sports information and promotion, including lectures, media assignments, role-playing, and presentations by sports professionals. Junior standing.

JOUR 455 Public Relations for Non-Profit Organizations (4, FaSpSm) Introduction to the specialized field of public relations for non-profit and non-governmental organizations; emphasis on case studies, strategic and critical thinking, and campaign development. Prerequisite: JOUR 250.

JOUR 456 Public Relations for Diverse Audiences (4, FaSpSm) Researching, planning, executing and evaluating communications campaigns aimed at audiences segmented by culture, lifestyle and other factors. Prerequisite: JOUR 250.

JOUR 457 The Role of Celebrity in Public Relations (4) Understanding of the history and application of celebrity in public relations, focusing on the entertainment industry and the notoriety attached to politics and the media.

JOUR 458 Public Relations in Politics and Political Campaigns (4, Fa) Application of public relations principles to the context of political campaigns; emphasis on message development and delivery; relationship between candidate, news media, and electorate.

JOUR 459 Fact and Fiction: From Journalism to the Digital Age (4) Historical, legal and ethical limitations to the misrepresentation of fact. Includes print and broadcast journalism, books, theatre, cinema and new technology.

JOUR 460 Social Responsibility of the News Media (4, Sp) News media as instruments of constructive social change; standards of ethics and aesthetics; interactions between news media and cultural settings; social responsibility of news media personnel.

JOUR 462 Law of Mass Communication (4, FaSp) Legal responsibilities of the journalist.

JOUR 463 Strategic Public Relations Research, Analysis and Insights (4, FaSp) Identification of key strategic insights that drive successful communication campaigns, based on research techniques including surveys, content evaluation and social media monitoring.

JOUR 465m Latino News Media in the United States (4, Fa) History and growing importance of Latino print and broadcast news media in covering immigration, discrimination, culture, social differences and other aspects of U.S. Latino life.

JOUR 466m People of Color and the News Media (4, Sp) Reporting and portrayal of people of color in the United States; impact of racial diversity on media, employment and access, and development of media for individuals and communities of color. Open to non-majors.

JOUR 467 Gender and the News Media (4) Gender and news media evolving images of women and men in print and electronic media. Impact of gender in content and style of news, television and cinema. Open to non-majors.

JOUR 468m The American Press and Issues of Sexual Diversity (4, Fa) Examines how news media reflect and affect perception of gay/lesbian issues; provides historical-continental context; arms students to bypass rhetoric and knowledgeably evaluate facts.

JOUR 469 Money, Markets and Media (4, Sp) Practical approach to understanding and writing about economic concepts through current events, case studies and historical examples.

JOUR 470 Community Journalism (2, FaSp) Survey of how local journalism functions in a community. Students work as editors/mentors to high school students, writing for school newspaper and other media.

JOUR 471 Advanced Multimedia Storytelling (2, Sp) Students create and manage advanced online story packages with multiple digital elements including text, visuals (videos, photos, graphics, etc.), audio, interactivity and navigation. Recommended preparation: JOUR 305.

JOUR 473 Emerging Media Strategies for Communication and Public Relations (4, Sp) In-depth, hands-on study of emerging tradigital, social and owned media channels; emphasis on the evaluation of such media as effective tools for audience engagement. Open only to juniors and seniors in the School for Communication and Journalism.

JOUR 474 Interviewing and Profile Writing (2, Sp) Techniques of, and intensive application in researching and writing interviews and profiles for newspapers and magazines. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 475 Publications Design and Technology (4, FaSp) Art, typography, and other graphic elements in publication design; traditional, contemporary, and advanced production methods, processes, and equipment; representative examples; practice in design.

JOUR 476 Reporting Urban Affairs (4, Sp) Examination of U.S. urban issues with an eye toward history for context; study of emerging 21st century solutions for urban communities. Prerequisite: JOUR 302, JOUR 303.

JOUR 477 Web Analytics for News and Nonprofit Organizations (2, FaSp) Introduction to using Web traffic and other audience behavior data to manage Websites and social media for news and nonprofit organizations.

JOUR 481 Careers and Strategies in Health Communication (4) Understanding of the dynamic, changing world of U.S. healthcare; knowledge of healthcare audiences and how to reach them; creating effective strategic communications initiatives.

JOUR 482 Comparative Media in Europe (4, Sp) Examines print, broadcast and public relations media and their interactive roles in multi-national and supra-national settings at sites in both Western and Eastern Europe.

JOUR 484 American Religion, Foreign Policy and the News Media (4, Sp) Exploration of the influence of American religion on foreign policy from Colonial Era to present; how the news media, reporting on international stories, shapes public opinion.

JOUR 485 Multimedia PR Content: Digital/Social Media Lab (2, Fa) Hands-on lab; Web and new social distribution platforms; development and management of online content and personal brands; social media trends and applications.

JOUR 486 Multimedia PR Content: Introduction to Digital Design Tools (2, Sp) Hands-on lab; producing multimedia content; basic principles of design; tools and techniques to create digital images and layouts.

JOUR 487 Multimedia PR Content: Introduction to Audio/Video Tools (2, Fa) Hands-on lab; audio/video tools for conceiving, shooting, editing, delivering and archiving compelling stories for online audiences; personal brand building; digital storytelling trends and applications.

JOUR 488 Multimedia PR Content: Visual Communication of Information (4) Overview of tools
and techniques available to convey messages and experiences; exploration into graphic design, visual branding, design methods and processes.

JOUR 490 Directed Research (1-8, max 12, FaSpSm) Individual research and readings. Not available for graduate credit.

JOUR 491 Transmedia, New Media and Strategic PR/Communication (4, Sp) Study of the new rules of message development and dissemination in strategic communication and marketing: Participatory Culture, Transmedia Branding, Spreadable Media, and Crowdsourcing. Open only to seniors and master students in public relations and strategic public relations.

JOUR 492 Personal Branding (4, Fa) Learn to build, promote, and manage a personal brand through critical analysis, case study, interactive interpretation, and creative problem solving.

JOUR 494 Transmedia, New Media and Strategic Communication (4) Examines nature of consumption and storytelling within a networked culture and how participatory culture, transmedia branding, and spreadable media are changing strategic communication practice.

JOUR 498 Honors Seminar (2, Sp) Intensive study of a subject of contemporary relevance or of professional importance to journalists. Prerequisite: admission to Honors Program.

JOUR 499 Special Topics (2-4, max 8, FaSpSm) Selected topics in journalism.

JOUR 500 Media and Society (3, Fa) Analysis of major theories on the role of communication media and society with special emphasis on the role and responsibility of the news media.

JOUR 504 Strategic Public Relations Research, Evaluation and Insights (3) Covers use of primary and secondary research methods, analysis, web monitoring and analytics, pre- and post-campaign testing, and other techniques in program planning and evaluation. Prerequisite: JOUR 508.

JOUR 505 The Practice: Journalism’s Evolution as a Profession (2, Fa) Analyzes the history, ethics and evolution of journalism; Students will be introduced to key innovations and innovators in journalism history as well as multimedia platforms. Open only to journalism majors.


JOUR 508 Introduction to Strategic Public Relations (3, Fa) A survey of the profession, focusing on the key role of strategic public relations in today’s information-based society; provides a social, economic and political context for the program.


JOUR 510 Legal, Ethical and Social Foundations of Strategic Public Relations (3, FaSp) Explores the origins, effects of, and processes for adhering to the complex network of legal, ethical and social responsibilities of the contemporary PR practitioner.

JOUR 512 Advanced Interpretive Writing (3, Sp) Analysis and writing of editorials, essays, Op-Ed page articles, profiles, and other shorter forms of journalism, combined with study of historic practitioners of those forms.

JOUR 513 Advanced Newswriting and Reporting (3) Reportorial and analytical skills and techniques required in searching out and evaluating newsworthy events. Research and publication of stories.

JOUR 514 Multimedia Journalism II: Text (2, Sp) Reporting and writing daily news and feature stories on deadline for text. Beat reporting, interviewing, sourcing, research, fact checking, Web aggregation, blogging, search optimization skills. Prerequisite: JOUR 504; concurrent enrollment: JOUR 515, JOUR 516.

JOUR 516 Multimedia Journalism II: Video and Audio (2, Sp) Reporting and writing for television, radio and Internet. Pitch, shoot, write, and produce video and audio news packages, incorporating standups and creative visual storytelling techniques. Prerequisite: JOUR 507; concurrent enrollment: JOUR 514, JOUR 518.

JOUR 517 Advanced Investigative Reporting (3, Fa) Advanced reportorial and analytical skills and techniques required for evaluating newsworthy events. Group research and publication of stories on important current topics.

JOUR 518 Multimedia Journalism II: Digital (2, Sp) Online story packages with multiple elements including text, visuals, audio, interactivity and navigation. Online ethics and basics of copyright law, design, typography, color, photo usage. Prerequisite: JOUR 509; concurrent enrollment: JOUR 514, JOUR 516.

JOUR 519 Advanced Magazine Writing (3, Fa) Reporting and preparation of articles for publication; analysis of magazine non-fiction markets; research and writing, techniques, and analysis of magazine markets.

JOUR 520 Advanced Broadcast Newswriting (3) Writing for broadcast, preparation and presentation. Responsibility and ethics of broadcast newswriting. Form and content of broadcast news presentation. Similarities and differences between media.

JOUR 521 Documentary Pre-Production (2, Fa) Pre-production of video documentary including selection of topic, diversity, ethical and legal problems, research and reporting techniques, interviewing, writing, balanced presentation, visual and audio literacy. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 522 Video Documentary Production (4, Sp) Production of video documentary including research and reporting techniques, writing, interviewing, field work, editing, legal issues, economics, aesthetics, balanced presentation, ethics, diversity and production problems.

JOUR 523 Public Radio Reporting (2, Fa) Reporting for public radio-style news: writing, newsgathering, editing, vocal delivery. Techniques applicable for broadcast or Web audio stories. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 524 Advanced Broadcast Reporting (4) Reporting and writing broadcast news; analysis and practical experience; role of the broadcast journalism reporter; similarities and differences between media; application of audio-visual equipment.

JOUR 525 Public Radio Documentary (4, Sp) Advanced production techniques for public radio-style reports: writing, sound, editing, narrative voice. Techniques applicable for broadcast features or Web audio documentaries. Prerequisite: JOUR 523.

JOUR 526 Advanced Broadcast News Production (3) Production of television news programs; preparation and treatment of form and content; procedures, problems and practice in planning and producing broadcast news materials.

JOUR 527 Multimedia Content Creation for Strategic Public Relations (3, FaSpSm) Covers the conceptualization and creation of strategy-based, engaging, primarily web-based multimedia content for use by organizations of all types. Prerequisite: JOUR 508 and JOUR 515.

JOUR 528 Summer Digital News Immersion (4, Sm) Three-week journalism immersion experience orienting students to the best practices and standards of cutting edge multimedia, multi-platform, social media and the role of the journalist.

JOUR 529 International Journalism and Public Relations Seminar (2) Preparatory course for Annenberg’s summer international internships programs. Introduction to the history, politics, culture and media landscape of the internships.

JOUR 530 Strategic Public Relations Management (3, Sp) An analytical, case study-based approach to strategic campaign planning, management and execution, with heavy emphasis on problem solving and the role of research.

JOUR 531 Fall Digital News Immersion (8, Fa) Tweet about, photograph, report and write/produce weekly news stories with audio and/or video and/or digital elements for publication via Annenberg’s converged news lab. Open only to journalism majors. Prerequisite: JOUR 528.

JOUR 532 International Public Relations (3) Public information policies and practices of national and supranational government units and national and multinational corporations involved in international relations.

JOUR 533 Web Journalism and Editorial Site Management (2, Fa) Report, edit, and manage a major news website while operating its content management system; understand best practices and standards in online site management. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 534 Case Studies in Public Relations (3, Sp) Analysis of landmark and contemporary public relations cases; evaluation of current literature, programs, and professional personnel; identification of emerging issues.

JOUR 535 Writing for Strategic Public Relations (3, FaSpSm) Intensive focus on the specialized writing requirements of online, broadcast, print and other public relations media; includes content analysis of strategic public relations materials.

JOUR 536 Digital, Social and Mass Media Public Relations Strategies (3, FaSp) Analysis of shifting media environment; development and execution of multi-platform campaigns based on organizational goals and audience characteristics.

JOUR 537 Public Relations and Branding (3, Fa) Concept of branding, including brand definition, brand engagement, brand management and the role of public relations in creating brand value.
JOUR 538 Advanced Entertainment Public Relations (3, Sp) In-depth study of the creation and protection of reputations for entertainment properties of all types and the characteristics that distinguish it from other disciplines.

JOUR 539 Introduction to Investigative Reporting (3) Focuses on basic investigative reporting: understand its history, how to access records, identify sources, use computer assisted reporting, report in a fair and ethical manner. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 540 International Journalism Seminar I (3) Historical perspective of foreign correspondence; examination of the working conditions, problems and consequences of reporting from abroad.

JOUR 542 Foreign Reporting (3) News stories analyzed, researched, and critiqued for validity and background; projects to include editorials, news stories, magazine articles or broadcast reports.

JOUR 545 International Internships in the Media (1, 5m) Internship experience at international news media and public relations organizations. Graded CR/NC.

JOUR 546 News and Numbers (2, Fa) An overview of the basic quantitative analysis tools and techniques essential to give perspective to a journalistic story or to put it in context. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 547 The Business of News (2, Fa) Analysis of how the business model of news organizations has evolved over time and, more importantly, how it is being reinvented for the future. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 550 Introduction to Online Publishing (3) Methods, theory and publishing of online news; HTML skills, graphics production and design theory.

JOUR 551 Intermediate Online Publishing (4, Sp) Advanced concepts in online publishing; focus on databases, editing, scripting and authoring applications for news Websites.

JOUR 552 Television Reporting and Production (2, Fa) Writing, reporting and producing content for video and digital platforms; similarities and differences between media; application of audio-visual and digital equipment. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 553 Coding and Programming for Storytelling (3, Fa) Sketch, design and code a website from scratch, using HTML, CSS and jQuery plug-ins to tell a rich multimedia story. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 555 Multimedia and Graphics in Online Publishing (4, Sp) Focuses on the process of creating multimedia, images and graphics for news storytelling on the Web; integration of interactive content, animation and video. Prerequisite: JOUR 551.

JOUR 556 Online Journalism Seminar (3, Sp) Writing and reporting for the Internet and other technology platforms; computer-assisted reporting; multimedia storytelling. Prerequisite: JOUR 551.

JOUR 560 Seminar in Mass Communication Law (2, Fa) Analysis of major elements of mass communication law, legal issues in contemporary mass communication, and the impact of legal trends on professional journalists. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 563 Promotional and Product Public Relations (3, Sp) Planning, managing and evaluating integrated communications campaigns utilizing public relations strategies in concert with advertising and other marketing disciplines; emphasis on research, case studies and campaign development.

JOUR 565 Corporate Public Relations and Reputation (3, Fa) Planning, managing and evaluating strategic public relations campaigns that achieve corporate business goals by effectively communicating with key constituencies and managing organizational reputation.

JOUR 566 Public Relations for Multicultural and Niche Audiences (3) Developing, managing and evaluating campaigns designed to reach audiences segmented by culture, lifestyle and other factors.

JOUR 568 Crisis Management in Strategic Public Relations (3, FaSpSm) Focuses on issues, concepts and practices in risk assessment, issues monitoring, and crisis anticipation/management in a wide variety of organizational contexts, and from multiple perspectives.

JOUR 569 Ethics in Public Relations (3) Application of public relations principles to ethical conduct in a business, government agency, non-profit organization or consulting entity; emphasis on applicable cases and dialogue.

JOUR 571 Advanced Sports Reporting (3, Fa) Seminar in how to report and write sports: news, previews, profiles, features, columns.

JOUR 572 Reporting on Entertainment and Popular Culture (3, Fa) Reporting about entertainment, popular culture and their impact on American society; survey of past media coverage and current practices.

JOUR 573 Graduate Journalism Practicum (4, Sm) Developing work experience through the M.S. in Journalism practicum. Open only to journalism majors.

JOUR 574 Sports and Society (3) Develop and refine print and multimedia skills to work as a sports journalist. Gain perspective, context and background in how sports intersect with society.

JOUR 575 Converged Media Center (4, Sp) Advanced multimedia news production; preparation and treatment of form and content; procedures, problems, ethics, and practice in operating a daily, 24/7 news outlet.

JOUR 576 The Image of the Journalist in Popular Culture Seminar (3, Sp) Study and analysis of the conflicting images of the journalist in popular culture and its impact on the public’s perception of the media and news gatherers.

JOUR 577 Monetization and the New Media (3) Understanding new media through an economic lens. Applying knowledge by creating, reporting and delivering a communications or business strategy model.

JOUR 578 Reporting on Globalization (3) Understanding globalization, its origins, history and major characteristics. Developing skills in reporting, describing, analyzing, and responding to globalization.

JOUR 579 Journalism Internship (1-2, max 2, FaSpSm) Field experience in journalism, public relations, or related field.

JOUR 580 Introduction to Specialized Journalism (3, FaSpSm) Understanding the role of specialized journalism and its changing role in U.S. news media; audience interest in areas of specialized coverage.

JOUR 581 Specialized Journalism: Research Methods (3, Fa) Advanced skills in the use of expert sources, scholarly resources, computer-assisted and investigative reporting in specialized journalism; social and ethical issues in specialized reporting.

JOUR 582 Specialized Journalism: Reporting Decisions (3, FaSpSm) Reporting and analysis of decision making; case studies and analytical tools in dissecting decisions for readers, listeners and viewers.

JOUR 583 Managing Communication in the Entertainment Industry (4, Fa) (Enroll in CMGT 543)

JOUR 584 Specialized Reporting: Education, Youth and Learning (3, Fa) Reporting and writing on education; survey of historical and contemporary issues affecting children, families and public education.

JOUR 585 Specialized Reporting: Religion (3, Sp) Reporting and writing on religion; survey of world religion, religion and public life – including politics, gender and science.

JOUR 586 Specialized Reporting: Science (3, Fa) Reporting and writing on science; survey of scientific research fields and evaluation of evidence and claims.

JOUR 587 Audience Analysis (4, Fa) (Enroll in CMGT 597)

JOUR 588 Cities, Climate and Risk (3, FaSpSm) Reporting and writing on urbanization, climate change and environmental harm.

JOUR 589 Specialized Reporting: The Changing U.S. Population (3, Fa) Reporting and writing on immigration and other forms of demographic change; survey of immigration, the journalism it has generated and the impact of coverage.

JOUR 590 Directed Research (1-12, FaSpSm) Research leading to the master’s degree. Maximum units which may be applied to the degree to be determined by the department. Graded CR/NC.

JOUR 591 Arts Writing Practicum (3, Fa) Intensive writing workshop on the craft of arts criticism and persuasive writing of different arts genres.

JOUR 592 Specialized Journalism: Reporting the Arts (3, Fa) Reporting and writing on the arts; strategies for arts journalism in the digital era; survey of essays and reviews by great critics.

JOUR 593 Arts Criticism and Commentary (3, Sp) Writing workshops and independent fieldwork; development of critical skills to write socially valuable criticism and commentary about art, entertainment and culture. Prerequisite: JOUR 591.

JOUR 594abz Master’s Thesis (2-2-0, FaSpSm) Credit on acceptance of thesis. Graded IP/CR/NC.

JOUR 595 Critical Thinking: The Art and Science of Not Getting Fooled (3, Fa) Researching and writing about how not to get fooled as a journalist; includes research, writing and discussion. Open only to journalism and specialized journalism majors.

JOUR 596 Follow the Money: Business and Economics Reporting (2, Fa) Reporting and writing on business, economics and public finance; students produce a series of professional projects for publication. Open only to journalism and specialized journalism majors.

JOUR 597 Financial and Investor Communications (3, Fa) Provides a practical, working understanding of financial communications, concerned primarily with articulating a company’s value. This applies to matters of corporate image and financial/investment environment. Open only to public relations and strategic public relations majors. Prerequisite: JOUR 508.

JOUR 598 Journalism Capstone Project (2, Sp) Production of a journalism capstone project with multimedia elements for a master’s degree. Projects can
be single stand-alone pieces, or series of pieces. Open only to Journalism majors.

JOUR 599 Special Topics (2-4, max 8, FaSpSm)
Seminar in selected topics in journalism.