

B.S. Journalism

Department of Journalism

This guide is meant for external transfer students entering BU in the fall 2020 and forward.

Name: _____ BU ID: _____ Date: _____

All courses listed below have a COM prefix unless otherwise noted. All courses require a minimum pre-requisite of sophomore standing unless otherwise noted.

College Requirements (4 total credits required plus CO 575)

CO 101 The Human Storyteller (open to first-year students, a minimum grade of a C is required, First-Year Writing Seminar is a co-req)

CO 575 COM Professional Experience (zero credits, repeatable)

Department Requirements (24 total credits required)

CO 201 Intro to Communication Writing (pre-req First-Year Writing Seminar, open to 2nd semester first-year students)

JO 200 Newswriting (pre-req CO 201)

JO 150 History and Principles of Journalism (open to 2nd semester first-year students)

JO 205 Visual Storytelling

JO 210 Reporting in Depth (pre-req JO 200 & JO 205)

JO 350 Law and Ethics of Journalism

Journalism Professional Core Requirement (minimum of 4 total credits required)

Students must complete one of the following three courses:

JO 400 Newsroom (pre-req JO 150 & JO 210) (course is repeatable)

JO 455 Professional Project (pre-req approval of full-time JO faculty and department, JO 150 & JO 210) (variable credit)

JO 546 Journalism Statehouse Program (pre-req approval of instructor, JO 150 & JO 210)

Students who take more than 4 credits of one of the Journalism Professional Core Requirements can use the additional credits toward Journalism Program Requirements.

Journalism Program Requirements (16 total credits required)

JO 300 Media & Democracy: Journalism in an Age of Disinformation

JO 504 Arts Criticism

JO 309 Feature Writing (pre-req JO 210)

JO 505 Race and Gender in Media

JO 312 Photojournalism I (pre-req JO 205)

JO 508 Multi-platform Story Editing (pre-req JO 200 & JO 205)

JO 322 Smartphone Reporting (pre-req First-Year Writing Seminar)

JO 511 Covering Politics (only available as part of the Statehouse Program)

JO 351 Reporting with Audio and Video (pre-req JO 200 & JO 205)

JO 513 Photojournalism II (pre-req JO 312)

JO 403 Magazine Writing and Editing (pre-req JO 210)

JO 514 Sports Journalism (pre-req JO 200)

JO 404 Radio Station Management (pre-req instructor consent) (only 4 credits can count here)

JO 519 Narrative Radio (pre-req JO 435)

JO 412 Internship (pre-req JO 200 & JO 205, junior standing) (only 4 credits can count here)

JO 521 Data Journalism (pre-req JO 200)

JO 431 Enterprise Reporting (pre-req JO 351)

JO 522 Filmmaking for Journalist (pre-req JO 205)

JO 435 Online Radio Newsroom Enterprise (pre-req JO 351)

JO 535 Investigative & Project Reporting (pre-req JO 210)

JO 490 Directed Study (pre-req instructor & department consent) (variable credit) (only 4 credits can count here)

JO 537 Advanced Visual Storytelling (pre-req JO 205)

JO 500 Media Criticism

JO 541 Art of the Interview (pre-req consent of instructor)

JO 502 Special Topics (variable credit) (some topics may have pre-reqs) (repeatable as a different topic)

JO 542 Literature of Journalism (pre-req JO 150)

JO 543 Rescuing Lost Stories (pre-req JO 150 & JO 200)

JO 544 Trauma Journalism (pre-req JO 200)

Students who take all three of JO 404, JO 412 and JO 490 must note that only eight credits total from these three courses can count as Journalism Program Requirements. Students can only take a maximum of 12 credits from these three course numbers toward credits for graduation.

Note: Any COM JO course 300-level or above may count as a Journalism Program Requirement. We encourage students to work closely with their assigned faculty mentor, a professor Journalism, as you select your Journalism Program Requirements based on your educational and career goals.

Degree Requirement Notes:

- A minimum of 128 credits is required for graduation
- Students must also complete all BU Hub general education requirements
- A maximum of 4 credits of 1 credit or .5 credit Boston University courses can count toward graduation.
- Journalism students are limited to a total of four JO internship credits through the departmental internship coordinator and another four credits of JO internship through a BU Study Abroad Program. No more than eight credits of JO internship can count toward the degree. In instances where students complete eight JO internship credits as described here, only four of those credits can count toward the Journalism Program Requirements and the other four credits of JO internship will only count as general electives toward the total credit number required for graduation.
- Only eight credits of each of the following courses can count toward the 128 required credits for a degree: JO 400, JO 412 (Internship), JO 490.

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Notes:

BU Hub for transfer students from outside of BU entering Fall 2020 or after

Philosophical, Aesthetic, and Historical Interpretation (1 unit required)

Choose one of the following:

Philosophical Inquiry and Life's Meanings

Aesthetic Exploration

Historical Consciousness

COM JO 150

Scientific Inquiry (1 unit required)

Scientific Inquiry I or II

Social Inquiry (1 unit required)

Social Inquiry I or II

COM CO 101

Quantitative Reasoning (1 unit required)

Quantitative Reasoning II

Diversity, Civic Engagement, and Global Citizenship (1 unit required)

Choose one of the following:

The Individual in the Community

Global Citizenship and Intercultural Literacy

Ethical Reasoning

COM JO 210 and COM JO 350

Communication (1 unit required)

Choose one of the following:

Writing, Research, and Inquiry

Writing-Intensive

COM CO 201

Intellectual Toolkit (4 units required)

Critical Thinking (1 unit required)

COM JO 200

Research and Information Literacy (1 unit required)

COM CO 201

Teamwork/Collaboration (1 unit required)

Creativity/Innovation (1 unit required)

COM JO 205