

# MINOR IN JOURNALISM

## *Advising Sheet*

The journalism minor seeks to help students learn to practice the value of journalism, develop a critical media literacy, become enmeshed in current events and their social and political contexts, critically evaluate sources of information, be able to write clearly and effectively in multiple genres using multiple technologies, and develop a broad skillset that will enable them to navigate the field of journalism in a changing media landscape.

### Program Learning Outcomes

1. Develop an understanding of the journalistic writing style.
2. Become familiar with current events and their social, historical, and political contexts.
3. Develop a critical media literacy and be able to evaluate sources of information in the pursuit of truth.
4. Write clearly and effectively in multiple genres.
5. Practice technologies for writing, video, audio, and photographic production.
6. Work in a collaborative setting.
7. Produce media to a deadline.
8. Think critically.

### **Core Courses**

JRN 200: Introduction to Journalism

JRN 212: Digital Journalism

JRN 411: Journalism Practicum (JRN 200 + 212 are pre-requisites)

### **Elective Courses (students need 9 credit hours of JRN electives)**

JRN 225: Newswriting

JRN 226: Public Affairs Reporting

JRN 272: Feature Writing

JRN 312: Sports Reporting and Writing<sup>1</sup>

JRN 315: Magazine Article Writing<sup>2</sup>

JRN 325: History of Journalism

JRN 335: Ethical Issues in News Media

JRN 399: Special Topics in Journalism

COM/MDC 252: Writing for Broadcast / Media Writing

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<sup>1</sup> We are not honoring the pre-requisite for JRN 312. Any student can take this class. Email [bkuebrich@wcupa.edu](mailto:bkuebrich@wcupa.edu) if you are having trouble enrolling.

<sup>2</sup> We are not honoring the pre-requisite for JRN 315. Any student can take this class. Email [bkuebrich@wcupa.edu](mailto:bkuebrich@wcupa.edu) if you are having trouble enrolling.