

ENGLISH

CO majors need to pass English Composition I and II with a “C” or better.

Students with an ACT English sub-score of 28+ may take Accelerated English Comp. II and get credit for both English Composition classes. See your advisor or student handbook for more information.

MATH

Students must pass College Algebra and one additional higher-level math. Most students take Trigonometry or Statistics as their second math.

The MSU Math Dept. requires a C or better in College Algebra to enroll in a higher-level math.

Students with an ACT Math sub-score of 24+ can take one math class to satisfy the math requirement. See your advisor or student handbook for more information.

SCIENCE

Students must pass one BIO course, one Physical Science course with a lab, and one third science (no lab required). All science courses must be “on core.” The list of “core” classes can be found on the CO Department website and in your CAPP report on Banner.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Students must pass the third level of a foreign language. The first two levels aren’t required, but most students need to take the first two in order to pass the third level.

HUMANITIES EN, HI, PHI, REL & SOME AAS, FL, GS/WS

Students must take one History, one English Literature, and one Philosophy class PLUS three additional humanities electives.

The required History and English Literature class must be “on core.” The list of “core” classes can be found on the CO Department website and in your CAPP report on Banner.

The three electives must cover at least two areas of study. (*For example, a student can’t count three HI classes to meet the electives requirement.)

SOCIAL SCIENCES AN, EC, GR, PS, PSY, SO & SOME AAS, EN, FL, GS/WS

Students must take General Psychology, Introduction to World Geography, and Introduction to Sociology PLUS two additional social science electives.

Note: A student cannot count both EC 2113 Macroeconomics and EC 2123 Microeconomics for the two electives.

JOURNALISM

All communication students must take:

- CO 1003 Fundamentals of Public Speaking
- CO 1223 Introduction to Communication Theory
- CO 1403 Introduction to Mass Media

Additionally, the following classes are required for journalism:

- CO 2413 Introduction to News Writing
Prerequisites: English Comp. I and II
- CO 2423 Editing & Typography
Prerequisite: CO 2413 Introduction to News Writing
- CO 3403 Photography
Prerequisite: 9 hours in CO or consent of instructor
- CO 3423 Feature Writing
Prerequisite: CO 2413 Introduction to News Writing
- CO 3443 Advanced News Writing
Prerequisite: CO 2413 Introduction to News Writing
- CO 4313 Mass Media Law
Prerequisite: Junior standing
- CO 4403 Journalism Ethics
- CO Upper Division Elective
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- CO Upper Division Elective
- CO Elective (Upper Division suggested)

UPPER DIVISION ELECTIVES: “Upper Division” classes are labeled 3000-4000 level. Students are required to take 31 upper division hours in the College of Arts & Sciences. The journalism curriculum provides 24-27 hours of upper division classes, depending on the fourth CO elective chosen. The additional hours may be made up with humanities, social science, and/or general elective courses.

GENERAL ELECTIVES: To graduate, a student must pass 124 hours overall. Most of these hours are met with required Arts & Sciences classes and required communication classes. To reach 124 hours, students will need to take some general electives. See your advisor for more information.