



# MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

### Broadcast and Digital Journalism Requirements

**All Communication students must take:**

- CO 1003 Fundamentals of Public Speaking
- CO 1223 Introduction to Communication Theory
- CO 1403 Introduction to Mass Media
- CO 1503 Introduction to Theatre *\*See your advisor if another Fine Art was taken before becoming a CO major.*

**Additionally, the following classes are required for Broadcast and Digital Journalism students:**

- CO 2333 Television Production
- CO 2413 Introduction to News Writing and Reporting
- CO 3313 Writing for Electronic Media
- CO 3333 Advanced TV Production
- CO 3403 Photographic Communication
- CO 3713 Digital Communication
- CO 4313 Mass Media Law
- CO 4343 Backpack Video Journalism
- CO 4394 Broadcast Capstone
- CO 4403 Journalism Ethics
- CO 4713 Digital Communication II
- CO Upper Division Elective

**General Electives:**

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To graduate, a student must earn 124 hours overall. Most of these hours are met with required Arts & Sciences and Communication courses. However, to reach 124 hours total, Broadcast and Digital Journalism students typically must earn 15-18 hours of general elective credit. The first two levels of a foreign language will count as six of these hours. Additional hours may come from Science labs. See your advisor for more information.

**Upper Division Hours:**

Upper Division classes are labeled at the 3000-4000 level. Students are required to take 31 upper division hours in the College of Arts & Sciences in residence at MSU. The Broadcast and Digital Journalism curriculum provides 31 hours of upper division credit, thus meeting the Arts & Sciences Upper Division Hours requirement.

**Prerequisites and Class Order:**

CO 2333 TV Production must be completed with a grade of "C" or better before a student attempts CO 3333 Advanced TV Production. CO 2413 Introduction to News Writing and Reporting must be completed with a grade of "C" or better and the GSP exam must be passed before a student attempts CO 3313 Writing for the Electronic Media. Both CO 3333 Advanced TV Production and CO 3313 Writing for the Electronic Media, as well as CO 4343 Backpack Video Journalism, must be completed with a grade of "C" or better before a student attempts CO 4394 Broadcast Capstone. Students should plan to take CO 4403 Journalism Ethics and CO 4313 Mass Media Law before or concurrently with CO 4394 Broadcast Capstone.