

**UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
Request for Change(s)**

Originating unit requesting change

Department of Journalism

Type of Change requested:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Course number(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Course prerequisite(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Program title |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Course title | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop course(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Program description |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Course description | <input type="checkbox"/> Drop program(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program requirements |

Semester and year change(s) take effect:

Fall 2021

Appropriate computer abbreviation if
course title is more than 30 spaces:

Briefly summarize the change requested:

This change removes the optional sports journalism, business journalism, and journalism teaching certificates.

Programs Only

Current Title: _____

New Title: _____

Current Code: _____ Proposed New Code (list 2): _____ or _____
(ex: INDE-BFA)

Can have second major: ___ Yes ___ No

Current CIP Code: _____

Does the change require a new or change in CIP code? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, what is the proposed CIP code? _____

*for reference, please visit: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=56>

Catalog copy

Present catalog copy (paste-up from catalog is acceptable).

The BA with a major in journalism requires 124 hours with 33 hours of journalism, including [JOUR 10113](#), [JOUR 10203](#), [JOUR 10303](#), [JOUR 20003](#), [JOUR 30204](#), [JOUR 40523](#) and [JOUR 40983](#). Students must take at least one class from the following: [JOUR 40203](#), [JOUR 40453](#), [JOUR 40463](#), [JOUR 40643](#), or [JOUR 40820](#), meaning all journalism majors must have a minimum of one upper-level reporting course. Also, students must take at least one class from the following: [JOUR 30853](#), [JOUR 40443](#), [JOUR 40553](#), [JOUR 40563](#), [JOUR 40573](#), [JOUR 40613](#), [JOUR 40813](#), [JOUR 40993](#), [JOUR 50143](#), [JOUR 50183](#), [JOUR 50193](#) or [JOUR 50523](#), meaning all journalism majors must have a minimum of one seminar course. Five hours of journalism electives complete the degree requirements. By combining electives and required courses, a student may earn certificates that accompany the BA degree and demonstrate advanced proficiency in a specific area of news media.

The BA degree in journalism requires proven competency at the fourth semester of college-level foreign language (the equivalent of 12 hours, which can be accomplished either through taking courses or testing out through examinations as required by the foreign language programs on campus). This requirement is consistent with international opportunities in emerging media.

A minor is required. Additionally, students may pursue a specialty by fulfilling requirements for a certificate in broadcast journalism, sports journalism or business journalism.

Students must declare their intent to earn specific certificates in the semester in which they intend to graduate and prior to the beginning of academic advising in that semester. Declaration is made in writing to the chair or the chair's designee.

Certificate requirements

Broadcast certificate - [JOUR 30303](#), [JOUR 30543](#), [JOUR 40203](#) and [JOUR 40553](#)

Sports journalism certificate - 6 hours from among [JOUR 40483](#), [JOUR 40573](#) or [JOUR 40213](#) plus 6 hours outside the unit from the following sports-related courses: [ENGL 20523](#), [HIST 40863](#), [FTDM 21113](#), [FTDM 41580](#), [KINE 30713](#) and [KINE 30723](#); 3 hours of [JOUR 40213](#) may be substituted for 3 hours of related courses outside the unit.

Business journalism certificate - [JOUR 40453](#), [JOUR](#)

Proposed change(s). (Include exact catalog copy as desired. Underline changes)

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Requirements

Required Courses for All Journalism Majors

JOUR 10113	Media Writing and Editing
JOUR 10203	Introduction to Journalism
JOUR 10303	Introduction to Visual Journalism
JOUR 20003	Diversity and the Media
JOUR 30204	Reporting
JOUR 40523	Law and Ethics of Mass Communication
JOUR 40983	Multi-Platform Capstone

[JOUR 10113](#), [JOUR 10203](#), [JOUR 10303](#), [JOUR 20003](#) must be passed with a "C" or better before enrolling in *Reporting*, a required course. See prerequisites for other required 30000- and 40000- level courses.

In addition, all journalism majors must complete at least one of the following upper-level reporting classes:

JOUR 40203	Advanced News Production
JOUR 40453	Business Journalism
JOUR 40463	Public Affairs Reporting
JOUR 40643	Long-Form Journalism
JOUR 40820	Washington Internship

All journalism majors must complete at least one of the following seminar classes

JOUR 30853	Historical Development of Mass Media
JOUR 40443	Issues in Coverage of Business and the Economy
JOUR 40493	Opinion and Commentary
JOUR 40553	Issues in News
JOUR 40563	Media Management
JOUR 40573	Contemporary Issues in Sports Journalism
JOUR 40613	Media Ethics
JOUR 40813	Media in Washington
JOUR 40993	Mass Media and Society
JOUR 50143	Social and Cultural History of the Media

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Other journalism courses required for certificates:

Broadcast journalism

JOUR 30303	News Production
JOUR 30543	Multimedia Reporting
JOUR 40203	Advanced News Production
JOUR 40553	Issues in News

Choose 6 credit hours from these two 3-hour courses ([JOUR 40203](#) may be taken twice)

Sports journalism

Choose 6 credit hours among these 3 credit-hour courses

JOUR 40213	Sportscast
JOUR 40483	Sports Journalism
JOUR 40573	Contemporary Issues in Sports Journalism

Plus 6 hours from the following

ENGL 20523	Sports and American Literature
HIST 40863	American Sport History
FTDM 21113	Sports Broadcasting
FTDM 41580	Topics in Sports Media
KINE 30713	Psychology of Sport
KINE 30723	Sociology of Sport

Business journalism

JOUR 40453	Business Journalism
JOUR 40443	Issues in Coverage of Business and the Economy
ECON 10223	Introductory Microeconomics

Plus 3 hours from the following

ECON 10233	Introductory Macroeconomics
ECON 30253	History of Economic Thought
BUSI 10013	Contemporary Perspectives in Business
POSC 31413	Public Policy

Other journalism courses required for a Broadcast Journalism certificate:

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Journalism Teaching Certification

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Requirements

31 hours in journalism:

JOUR 10103	Media Literacy
JOUR 10113	Media Writing and Editing
JOUR 20003	Diversity and the Media
JOUR 20203	Radio/TV Newswriting
JOUR 20313	
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JOUR 30233	Visual Journalism - Advanced
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Request for Changes

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1. What is the justification for the change(s) requested?

Faculty voted to drop the certificates because: (a) insufficient courses to award the sports option and (b) most courses leading to business certificate are not in the department's control and we cannot guarantee students' access to them. The journalism teaching certificate is Outdated and has not been awarded for several years.

2. If applicable, explain how the change(s) will affect the current program outcomes and assessment mechanisms.

N/A

3. **Faculty Resources:** How will the unit provide faculty support for this change and any other impact this change may have on other current departmental listings.

N/A

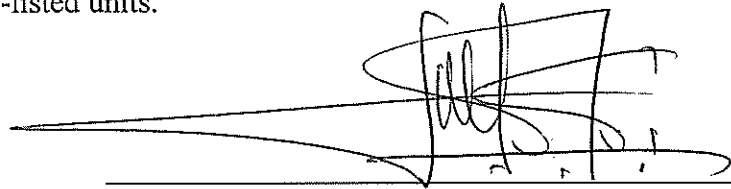
4. **Educational Resources:** Will this change require additional resources not currently available (e.g. space, equipment, library, other)? YES
If yes, list additional resources needed. NO

5. If this change affects other units of the University, include a statement signed by the chairperson(s) of the affected unit(s).

N/A

6. If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and cross-listed units.

N/A



Approval signature of chairperson of originating unit