JOURNALISM MAJOR (36-37 CREDIT HOURS) – MUST PASS ALL COURSES WITH C OR BETTER

Journalism Core Courses – Complete BOTH (6.00):

☐ JOUR 200A or 200B - Basic News Writing (3) (PRQ: ENGL 203 or 204)
☐ JOUR 480 - Journalism Law & Regulation (or COMS 455) (3) (PRQ: Junior standing)

Other Graduation Requirements (see NIU catalog):

☐ 120 credit hours minimum for Bachelor’s
☐ 40 credits from 300-level courses or above
☐ General Education
☐ B.A. or B.S. requirements met
☐ Journalism majors must complete a second major or minor
☐ NIU, major, minor GPA at or above 2.00

Constructing Media Narratives - Complete FOUR of the following (12.00):

☐ JOUR 301 - Article Writing (3) (PRQ: JOUR 200A or JOUR 200B)
☐ JOUR 302 - News Reporting (3) (PRQ: JOUR 200A or JOUR 200B)
☐ JOUR 315 - Press Photography (3)
☐ JOUR 354 - Fundamentals of Broadcast News (3) (PRQ: JOUR 200A or JOUR 200B)
☐ JOUR 357 - Advanced Practices in Television News (3) (PRQ: JOUR 356)
☐ JOUR 360 - Public Relations Writing (3) (PRQ: JOUR 200A or JOUR 200B and JOUR 335, or consent)
☐ JOUR 401 - Editorial and Opinion Writing (3) (PRQ: JOUR 200A or JOUR 200B)
☐ JOUR 402 - Advanced Reporting (3) (PRQ: JOUR 302)
☐ JOUR 415 - Advanced Photojournalism (3) (PRQ: JOUR 315)
☐ JOUR 435 - Advanced Public Relations (3) (PRQ: COMS 370 or COMS 380 or JOUR 335 and junior standing)
☐ JOUR 460 - Specialized Press Writing (3) (PRQ: JOUR 200A or JOUR 200B)
☐ JOUR 485A - Topics in Journalism Writing (3) (Requires instructor consent)

Editing and Management - Complete TWO of the following (6.00-7.00):

☐ JOUR 210 - Information Gathering in the Digital Age (3)
☐ JOUR 312 - Graphics of Communications (3) (PRQ: Sophomore standing)
☐ JOUR 356 - Electronic News Gathering and Editing (4) (PRQ: JOUR 354)
☐ JOUR 364 - Television News Producing and Directing (3) (PRQ: JOUR 357)
☐ JOUR 410 - News Editing (3) (PRQ: JOUR 200A or JOUR 200B)
☐ JOUR 461 - Specialized Press Editing (3) (PRQ: JOUR 312)
☐ JOUR 492 - Internship in Journalism (3)

News in Society - Complete FOUR of the following (12.00):

☐ JOUR 201 - Issues in Journalism (3)
☐ JOUR 295 - Reading News Critically (3)
☐ JOUR 335 - Principles of Public Relations (3) (PRQ: Sophomore standing)
☐ JOUR 407 - Media Convergence (3)
☐ JOUR 481 - History of Journalism (3) (PRQ: Junior standing)
☐ JOUR 482 - International News Communications (3) (PRQ: Junior standing)
☐ JOUR 483 - Mass Media in Modern Society (3) (PRQ: Junior standing)
☐ JOUR 485B - Topics in Journalism and Society (3) (Requires instructor consent)
☐ JOUR 487 - News and Entertainment (3) (PRQ: Junior standing)
☐ Also counts: JOUR 350, 436, 449, 486, 490

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