

## Bachelor of Arts in Communications: Journalism Option

The purpose of the Degree Roadmap is to serve as a guide for planning one's academic coursework required to complete a specific major semester by semester. Before enrolling, you can use the Degree Roadmap to get a feel for the courses you'll take in this major. After enrolling, refer to the University Catalog, Class Schedule and consult with your academic advisor each semester for advisement to specify which courses you will take to fulfill each graduation

requirement and are progressing toward graduation in a timely manner as possible. **The Degree Roadmap is subject to change and is NOT to be considered a replacement for advisement with an academic advisor.** See *University Catalog* for information on the Graduate Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR). \*See reverse side for General Education (GE) course requirements. \*\*A minimum of 120 units are required for completion of degree.

### Entry Level Skills Tests

#### English

EPT Waiver:	SAT I 500, ACT 22, AP 3 or EAP Exempted
Course Placement	120-140 ENG 88
Total Scores:	141-146 ENG 99
	143-146 ENG 195: satisfies ENG 99 & ENG 110
	147 ENG 110

#### Math

ELM Waiver:	SAT I & II 550, ACT 23, AP 3 or EAP	
Course Placement	00-40	MAT 3
Total Scores:	42-48	MAT 9
	50	G.E. Math

#### First Semester

Course		Units
GE A1*	Freshman Composition I	3
GE C3*	Humanities - Letters Courses area	3
GE D1*	Perspectives on Individuals, Groups, & Society area	3
GE E*	The Whole Person area	3

#### Third Semester

Course		Units
COM 250	Writing for the Media	3
GE A2*	Logic/Critical Thinking area	3
GE B1*	Physical Sciences area	3
GE D2*	Global & Historical Perspectives area	3
GE D3*	Perspectives on U.S. History	3

#### Fifth Semester

Course		Units
COM 110	Introduction to the Digital Media Production	3
COM 333	Electronic Journalism	3
Elective	Select ONE elective course: COM 130, 206, 305, 306, 308, 342, 344, 348, 358, 360, 365, 366, 381, 385, 387, 396, 467, 494, or 495	3
Elective	Select ONE free elective course**	3
GE F2*	Studies in the Natural Sciences area	3
GWAR	ENG 350 or GWE	0-3

#### Seventh Semester

Course		Units
COM 346	News Gathering and Reporting	3
COM 400	Communication Theory and Research	3
Elective	Select ONE elective course: COM 130, 206, 305, 306, 308, 342, 344, 348, 358, 360, 365, 366, 381, 385, 387, 396, 467, 494, or 495	3
Elective	Select TWO free elective courses**	6
GE F3/G*	Studies in Social Sciences area/Cultural Pluralism area	3

#### Second Semester

Course		Units
COM 100	Media and Society	3
GE A1*	Freshman Composition II	3
GE A3*	Oral Communication area	3
GE B4*	Quantitative Reasoning area	3-5
GE C2*	Humanities - Art Courses area	3

#### Fourth Semester

Course		Units
COM 302	Law of the Mass Media	3
GE B2*	Life Science area	3
GE B3*	Science Laboratory area	1
GE C1*	Humanities area	3
GE D4*	Perspectives on U.S. History and California Government	3

#### Sixth Semester

Course		Units
COM 352	Feature and Critical Writing	3
COM 379	Media Industries	3
Elective	Select ONE elective course: COM 130, 206, 305, 306, 308, 342, 344, 348, 358, 360, 365, 366, 381, 385, 387, 396, 467, 494, or 495	3
Elective	Select TWO free elective courses**	6

#### Eighth Semester

Course		Units
COM 355	News Production Workshop	3
COM 490	Senior Seminar	3
COM 496	Internship	3
Elective	Select ONE elective course: COM 130, 206, 305, 306, 308, 342, 344, 348, 358, 360, 365, 366, 381, 385, 387, 396, 467, 494, or 495	3
GE F1*	Studies in the Humanities	3

**Total Units: 118-125\*\***

**NOTE:** Upper division elective courses cannot double count for upper division GE courses. This is a single field major. No minor is required. All communication majors must pass all required and prerequisite courses with grades "C" or better. Courses cannot fulfill both the core upper-division writing requirement and emphasis elective course.

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### Learn More

- To learn more about the B.A. in Communications at CSUDH, call the Department of Communications at (310) 243-3313, visit SAC 1166, or visit [CAH.CSUDH.EDU/Communications](http://CAH.CSUDH.EDU/Communications).
- For more information on applying to CSUDH, visit [CSUDH.EDU/FutureStudents](http://CSUDH.EDU/FutureStudents).
- Apply online at [CSUMENTOR.EDU](http://CSUMENTOR.EDU).
- Career information, visit [CSUDH.EDU/CareerCenter](http://CSUDH.EDU/CareerCenter).

### Faculty

Nancy Cheever, Chair, Associate Professor  
Ph.D., Fielding University

Sharon Sharp, Assistant Professor  
Ph.D., University of California Los Angeles

Edward J. Whetmore, Professor  
Ph.D., University of Oregon

James Sudalnik, Professor  
Ph.D., Southern Illinois University

Chris Russo, Assistant Professor  
M.A. candidate, CSU Dominguez Hills

### Career Options

Reporter, editor, features writer, freelance writer, columnist, correspondent, news broadcaster, editorial writer, news director, blogger, video podcaster, media management, researcher and photojournalist.

### \*General Education (GE) Requirements

#### A. **Basic Skills:**

Courses must be passed with a grade of "C" or higher.  
GE A1: ENG 110, ENG 111 (both required)  
GE A2: PHI 120 or PSY 110  
GE A3: THE 120  
GE A4: CSC 101 or LIB 150 (optional category)

#### B. **Area of the Natural Sciences and Quantitative Reasoning:**

Select one course from each category below. Category 4 courses must be passed with a grade of "C" or higher.  
GE B1: CHE 102, EAR 100, GEO 200, PHY 100  
GE B2: ANT 101, BIO 102  
GE B3: BIO 103, EAR 101, CHE 103  
GE B4: MAT 105, 131, 153, 171, 191, 193

#### C. **Area of the Humanities:**

Select one course from each category below.  
In categories 2 and 3, select courses from different departments.  
GE C1: HUM 200  
GE C2: ART 100, ART 101, CHS 125, COM 130, DAN 130, MUS 101, MUS 110, THE 100, THE 160  
GE C3: AFS 200, AFS 231, APP 101, CHS 100, CHS 205, ENG 230, FRE 220, HUM 212, PHI 101, PHI 102, SPA 151, SPA 221

#### D. **Area of the Social Sciences:**

Select one course from each category below.  
In categories 1 and 2, select courses from different departments.  
GE D1: AFS 212, AFS 220, ANT 100, APP 212, CHS 212, PSY 101, SOC 101, SOC 102, WMS 250

GE D2: AFS 201, ANT 102, CHS 200, GEO 100, HIS 120, HIS 121, POL 100  
GE D3: HIS 101  
GE D4: POL 101

#### E. **Objectives for Lifelong Learning and Self-Development:**

Select one course from the following.  
GE E: HEA 100, HSC 201, KIN 235, REC 100, UNV 101

#### F. **Upper Division Integrative Studies:**

Select one course from each category. Courses in this category are to be taken after 60 semester units and ALL lower division General Education courses have been completed.  
GE F1: HUM 310, 312, 314  
GE F2: SMT 310, 312, 314, 416  
GE F3: SBS 318<sup>1</sup>

#### G. **Cultural Pluralism Requirement:**

Within their General Education selections or within other requirements, all students must take one course which addresses cultural pluralism (i.e. the impact of the integration of cultures).  
GE G: ANT 312, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 342, 389, CHS 300, HIS 305, MUS 401, PHI 383, SBS 318, SOC 322, SOC 331, SOC 383

<sup>1</sup> SBS 318 satisfies both F3 and G areas. Students will receive only three units credit, but will have met both requirements.