

University of Northern Iowa

Department of Communication Studies—Digital Media Major: Journalism Emphasis 2019-2020 Degree Requirements—49 hours of Major, 45 hours of Liberal Arts Core, 26 hours of Electives

Full declaration requirements:

- ✓ A 2.7 cumulative GPA in at least 24 hours of course work including Oral Communication (COMM 1000) and College Writing and Research (ENGLISH 1005) or their equivalents
 - ✓ A 2.7 average GPA or better in the designated core courses (COMM COR 1010, COMM DM 1650, COMM DM 1651)
 - ✓ File a New Declaration of Curriculum with the department
- * 2.5 cumulative GPA or above is required for graduation by the Department of Communication Studies**

Core Courses for Full Declaration of Digital Journalism: 3 courses (7 hrs.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM COR 1010	Mass Communication and Society	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 1650	Digital Media Seminar (co-requisite COMM DM 1651)	1 hr.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 1651	Digital Media Production I (co-requisite COMM DM 1650)	3 hrs.

Required Courses: Digital Media Journalism (33 hrs.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 2555	Interactive Digital Communication	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM COR 2020	Communication Research Methods **	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM COR 4124	Communication Theories **	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 1620	Fundamentals of Journalism	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 1652	Writing for Digital Media	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 2653	News Writing for Media (COMM COR 1010, COMM DM 1620)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 3179 OR	Cooperative Education	
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 3900	Internship in Digital Media (see internship requirements)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 3659	Editing and Design (COMM DM 2653 or instructor consent)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4630	Journalism, Law, and Ethics (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4632	Senior Seminar in Digital Media (COMM DM 1650; Sr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4650	Advanced Reporting (COMM DM 2653; Jr.)	3 hrs.

Electives: Choose 3 courses (9 hrs.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 2651	Digital Media Production II (COMM DM 1651; COMM DM 1652)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 3651	Advanced Digital Media Production: TV News (COMM DM 1651; COMM DM 2651)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 3652	Advanced Digital Media Production: Documentary (COMM DM 1651; COMM DM 2651)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 3658	Digital Journalism (COMM DM 1651, COMM DM 2653)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 3959	Advanced Applied Digital Journalism (consent)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4611	History of Mass Communication (COMM COR 1010; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4641	Critical Studies in Digital Media (COMM COR 2020; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4644	Global Mass Communication Systems (COMM COR 1010; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4651	Digital Media Practicum (COMM DM 3651, COMM DM 3652, COMM DM 3653, COMM DM 3654, or COMM DM 3655)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4655	Photojournalism (COMM DM 2653 or instructor consent; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4656	Feature Writing (COMM DM 2653 or ENGLISH 2015 or instructor consent; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4556	Interactive Digital Visualization (COMM 2555; Jr.)	3 hrs.

** These courses have prerequisites of COMM 1000 and ENGLISH 1005 or ENGLISH 2015 or ENGLISH 2120 or the Cornerstone equivalent.

For additional information contact:

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Plan of Study
Digital Media Major: Journalism Emphasis

Semester One

COMM 1000	Oral Communication	3 hrs.
COMM DM 1650	Digital Media Seminar (co-requisite COMM DM 1651)	1 hr.
COMM DM 1651	Digital Media Production I (co-requisite COMM DM 1650)	3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core	9 hrs.
Total		16 hrs.

Semester Two

ENGLISH 1005 (or equivalent)	College Writing and Research (or equivalent)	3 hrs.
COMM COR 1010	Mass Communication and Society	3 hrs.
COMM DM 1620	Fundamentals of Journalism	3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core	6 hrs.
Total		15 hrs.

Semester Three

COMM 2555	Interactive Digital Communication	3 hrs.
COMM DM 1652	Writing for Digital Media	3 hrs.
COMM DM 2653	News Writing for Media (COMM COR 1010, COMM DM 1620)	3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core	6 hrs.
Total		15 hrs.

Semester Four

COMM COR 2020	Communication Research Methods **	3 hrs.
COMM DM 3659	Editing and Design (COMM DM 2653 or instructor consent)	3 hrs.
	Digital Media Elective	3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core/University Elective	6 hrs.
Total		15 hrs.

Semester Five

COMM DM 4650	Advanced Reporting (COMM DM 2653; Jr.)	3 hrs.
	Digital Media Elective	3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core/University Electives	9 hrs.
Total		15 hrs.

Semester Six

COMM COR 4124	Communication Theories **	3 hrs.
COMM DM 4630	Journalism, Law, and Ethics (Jr.)	3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core/University Electives	9 hrs.
Total		15 hrs.

Semester Seven

COMM DM 3900 OR	Internship	
COMM DM 3179	Co-op	3 hrs.
COMM DM 4632	Senior Seminar in Digital Media (COMM DM 1650; Sr.)	3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core	6 hrs.
	University Electives	3 hrs.
Total		15 hrs.

Semester Eight

	Digital Media Elective	3 hrs.
	University Electives	11 hrs.
Total		14 hrs.

Total Hours 120 hrs.

* University Electives may be used toward a minor

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