

SPORTS MEDIA, BA

Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2021-2022. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation>).

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00

Total Hours: 120

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements		
<i>English Composition</i>		
See Academic Regulation 3.5 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition)		
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
or ENGL 1313	Critical Analysis and Writing I	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 1213	Composition II	
ENGL 1413	Critical Analysis and Writing II	
ENGL 3323	Technical Writing	
<i>American History & Government</i>		
HIST 1103	Survey of American History	3
or HIST 1483	American History to 1865 (H)	
or HIST 1493	American History Since 1865 (DH)	
POLS 1113	American Government	3
<i>Analytical & Quantitative Thought (A)</i>		
STAT 2013	Elementary Statistics (A)	3
or STAT 2053	Elementary Statistics for the Social Sciences (A)	
<i>Humanities (H)</i>		
Courses designated (H)		6
<i>Natural Sciences (N)</i>		
Must include one Laboratory Science (L) course		
Courses designated (N)		6
<i>Social & Behavioral Sciences (S)</i>		
ECON 1113	The Economics of Social Issues (S)	3
or ECON 2103	Introduction to Microeconomics (S)	
MC 1143	Media in a Diverse Society (DS)	3
SPCH 2713	Introduction to Speech Communication (S)	3
<i>Additional General Education</i>		
Courses designated (A), (H), (N), or (S)		4
Hours Subtotal		40
Diversity (D) & International Dimension (I)		
May be completed in any part of the degree plan		
Select at least one Diversity (D) course		
Select at least one International Dimension (I) course		
College/Departmental Requirements		
<i>First Year Seminar</i>		
(Transfer students with 15 hours exempt)		1
<i>Arts & Humanities</i>		
See note 2.a.		9
<i>Natural & Mathematical Sciences</i>		

See note 2.b.	3	
<i>Foreign Language</i>		
See note 3	9	
<i>Upper-Division General Education</i>		
Select 6 hours outside major department		
See note 2.c.		
Hours Subtotal	22	
Major Requirements		
Minimum 2.50 GPA. Minimum grade of "C" in all MC-MMJ-SC-SPM prefix courses.		
<i>Lower-division Professional Sequence</i>		
2.75 GPA and declared major required		
MC 2003	Mass Media Style and Structure	3
MC 2023	Electronic Communication	3
SPM 2843	Sports and the Media	3
<i>Upper-division Professional Sequence</i>		
Proficiency Review required		
MC 4143	Ethics and Issues in Mass Communications	3
MC 4163	Mass Communication Law	3
SPM 3813	Sports Reporting Across the Media	3
MMJ 3153	Fundamentals of Video and Studio Production	3
MMJ 3263	Multimedia Reporting	3
MMJ 4393	Data Journalism	3
SPM 3863	Electronic Sports Reporting	3
SPM 4883	Sports Media Capstone	3
Select 6 hours additional of MC-MMJ-SC-SPM		6
Select 9 hours of upper-division Traditional Liberal Arts (A&S, AERO, AMIS, AMST, ANTH, ART, ASL, ASTR, BIOL, CDIS, CHEM, CHIN, CS, DANC, DIVR, ENGL, FLL, FREN, GEOG, GEOL, GREK, GRMN, GWST, HIST, JAPN, LATN, MATH, MICR, MUSI, PHIL, PHYS, POLS, PSYC, REL, RUSS, SOC, SPAN, SPCH, STAT, TH) or Business or Gen Ed		9
<i>Emphasis</i>		
Complete one Area of Emphasis (p. 2)		6
Hours Subtotal	54	
Electives		
Select 4 hours		4
May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education outside major department (see note 2.c.) and 1 additional upper-division hour		
May not be able to use additional courses in MC-MMJ-SC-SPM		
MATH 1483 or MATH 1513 required if student does not place directly into STAT		
Hours Subtotal	4	
Total Hours	120	

A 2.75 graduation retention GPA and at least 24 hours completed required to initially declare major. Passing the proficiency review is required for upper-division major requirements. This includes a 2.75 graduation retention GPA, and at least 12 OSU hours earned, and a 2.75 OSU GPA, and a passing score on the Language Proficiency Exam.

A minimum of 72 hours must be taken outside of MC-MMJ-SC-SPM. No more than 12 hours in MC-MMJ-SC-SPM can be transferred from other institutions

Students are required to develop and maintain a portfolio exhibiting specific and appropriate work including required class assignments.

Areas of Emphasis

Sports News Emphasis

Code	Title	Hours
Select two of the following:		6
MMJ 3313	Editing in a Multimedia Environment	
MMJ 3913	Field Production	
MMJ 4313	Public Affairs Reporting	
SPM 4053	Sports Announcing	
SPM 4833	Sports Information Systems	
SPM 4853	Advanced Sports Writing	

Sports Production Emphasis

Code	Title	Hours
MMJ 3913	Field Production	3
SPM 4813	Sports Media Production	3

Other Requirements

- See the College of Arts and Sciences Requirements.
- Minimum 2.50 GPA in all MC-MMJ-SC-SPM prefix courses.
- **Upper-Division Credit:** Total hours must include at least 40 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.
- **Hours in One Department:** The School of Media and Strategic Communications requires that no more than 48 hours in MC-MMJ-SC-SPM may be applied to degree requirements.

College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

1. General Education Requirements

No more than two courses (or eight hours) from the major department (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/>) may be used to meet General Education and College and Departmental Requirements. The General Education required English Composition, required U.S. History, required American Government, one required MATH or STAT course, and required foreign language for B.A. degrees do not count against the two-course maximum.

2. A&S College/Departmental Requirements

- Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DANC, ENGL (except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (A), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (A) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.
- Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOC, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PBIO, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.

- The required six hours of upper-division General Education may not include courses from the student's major department. This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
- Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One 3-hour course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
- The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.

3. Foreign Language Proficiency

- The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.
- The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
- In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

4. Exclusions

- Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum allowed from one department.
- Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

5. Teacher Certification

Students can satisfy the requirements for secondary schools teaching certification while earning a B.A. or B.S. in the College of

Arts & Sciences. Those interested should see their Arts and Sciences advisor and the OSU Professional Education Unit in room 325 Willard.

Additional State/OSU Requirements

- At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
- Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
- Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
- Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2027.

Example Plan of Study

Finish in Four Plan of Study

The plan below is an **example** of how students can successfully complete degree requirements in four years. This suggested class schedule plan may be used as a guide and can be adjusted based on individual needs. Students are required to meet with an academic advisor prior to enrollment each semester to plan their class schedule, and students are ultimately responsible for completing all degree requirements.

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman		
Fall		
ENGL 1113 or MATH 1513	Composition I or College Algebra (A)	3
MATH 1483 or MATH 1513	Mathematical Functions and Their Uses (A) or College Algebra (A)	3
General Education courses		8
		Hours 14
Spring		
ENGL 1213	Composition II	3

STAT 2013 or STAT 2053 or STAT 2023	Elementary Statistics (A) or Elementary Statistics for the Social Sciences (A) or Elementary Statistics for Business and Economics (A)	3
General Education courses		10
		Hours 16

Sophomore		
Fall		
SPM 2843	Sports and the Media	3
MC 2003	Mass Media Style and Structure	3
MC 2023	Electronic Communication	3
1713 First Semester Foreign Language		3
General Education courses		3
		Hours 15

Spring		
MMJ 3153	Fundamentals of Video and Studio Production	3
MMJ 3263	Multimedia Reporting	3
SPM 3813	Sports Reporting Across the Media	3
1813 Second Semester Foreign Language		3
College and Elective courses		3
		Hours 15

Junior		
Fall		
SPM 3863	Electronic Sports Reporting (F)	3

SPM 4053 or SPM 4833 or SPM 4853 or MMJ 3313 or MMJ 3913 or MMJ 4313	Sports Announcing (Sports Production select MMJ 3913) or Sports Informat Systems or Advance Sports Writing or Editing in a Multime Environn or Field Producti or Public Affairs Reportin	3
2000-level Foreign Language		3
Major, College, and Elective courses		6
Hours		15

Spring

SPM 4053 or SPM 4833 or SPM 4853 or MMJ 3313 or MMJ 3913 or MMJ 4313	Sports Announcing (Sports Production select SPM 4813) or Sports Informat Systems or Advance Sports Writing or Editing in a Multime Environn or Field Producti or Public Affairs Reportin	3
MC 4143	Ethics and Issues in Mass Communications	3
Major, College, and Elective courses		9
Hours		15

Senior

Fall		
MMJ 4393	Data Journalism	3
MC 4163	Mass Communication Law	3
Major, College, and Elective courses		9
Hours		15

Spring

SPM 4883	Sports Media Capstone	3
Major, College, and Elective courses		12
Hours		15
Total Hours		120