

Critical requirements are boldface in shaded areas

Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Upper Division	Min. Grade	Important Notes
Semester One: [16-18 Credit Hours]				
ENG 11011 College Writing I	3			Fulfills LER Composition
HIST 12070 History of the United States: The Formative Period	3			Fulfills LER Humanities and domestic diversity course requirement
JMC 20003 Introduction to Mass Communication	3		C-	
US 10097 Destination Kent State: FYE	1			Not required of transfer students with 25 credits
LER Basic Sciences	3			Visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" for complete course list
LER Mathematics and Critical Reasoning	3-5			Enrollment based on placement tests
Semester Two: [16 Credit Hours]				
Requirements: successfully complete Grammar, Usage and Punctuation Test with minimum 70 percent score				
JMC 20004 Media Writing	3		B-	See note 1 on page 2
HIST 12071 History of the United States: The Modern Period	3			Fulfills LER Humanities and domestic diversity course requirement
JMC 22000 Photography Basics	1		C-	
POL 10004 Comparative Politics <i>or</i> PSYC 11762 General Psychology <i>or</i> SOC 12050 Introduction to Sociology	3			Fulfills LER Social Sciences
LER Additional	3			The LER Additional course may not be chosen from Social Science category; should fulfill global diversity requirement; visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" and "diversity" for course lists
LER Fine Arts	3			
Semester Three: [15-16 Credit Hours]				
ENG 21011 College Writing II	3			Fulfills LER Composition
JMC 26001 Newswriting	3		C-	
POL 10100 American Politics	3			Fulfills LER Additional
LER Basic Sciences	2-3			Visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" for complete course list
LER Basic Sciences Laboratory	1			
Liberal Studies Requirement Elective	3			See JMC advisor
Semester Four: [16 Credit Hours]				
JMC 26007 Print Beat Reporting	4		C-	
JMC 36005 Copyediting	3	■	C-	
VCD 37000 Visual Design for Media: Advanced	3	■	C-	
Liberal Studies Requirement Elective	3			See JMC advisor
Non-JMC General Elective	3			
Semester Five: [16 Credit Hours]				
JMC 22002 Videography Basics	1		C-	
JMC 40005 Feature Writing	3	■	C-	
Liberal Studies Electives (3 credits upper division)	6	■		See JMC advisor
Non-JMC General Elective (3 credits upper division)	6	■		

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Semester Six: [15-16 Credit Hours]				
ECON 22060 Principles of Microeconomics	3			Fulfills LER Social Sciences
JMC 40004 Computer-Assisted Reporting <i>or</i> JMC 40012 Online Journalism	3	■	C-	
JMC 46000 Newspaper Design	3	■	C-	
POL 30001 Political Methods <i>or</i> PSYC 21621 Quantitative Methods in Psychology I <i>or</i> SOC 32220 Data Analysis <i>and</i> SOC 32221 Data Analysis Laboratory	3-4			
Liberal Studies Requirement Elective	3			See JMC advisor
Summer III: [1 Credit Hours]				
JMC 40092 Internship	1	■		
Semester Seven: [13 Credit Hours]				
JMC 40006 Law of Mass Communication	3	■	C-	
JMC 46009 Reporting Public Affairs	4	■		
Liberal Studies Electives (3 credits upper division)	6	■		See JMC advisor
Semester Eight: [12-16 Credit Hours]				
JMC 40010 Ethics and Issues in Mass Communication	3	■	C	Fulfills writing-intensive course requirement
ENG Elective (upper division)	3	■		
JMC Elective	3			See note 2 below
Liberal Studies Electives (lower or upper division)	3			See JMC advisor
General Upper-division Elective	3	■		

Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Hours	Upper-Division Hours	Liberal Education Requirements Hours	Diversity Course Global / Domestic	Writing-Intensive	Minimum	
					Major GPA	Overall GPA
124	39	36	LER or Elective / HIST 12070	JMC 40010	2.75	2.75

Note 1: News majors may place out of JMC 20004 and be placed directly into JMC 26001 under the following conditions: Students not yet enrolled in JMC 20004 but who score minimum 75 on the grammar-spelling-punctuation test on their first attempt may take a writing exam. If they pass the exam and have all other prerequisites for newswriting completed, they are eligible to enroll in JMC 26001.

Students who take this option must choose an additional upper-division writing course from the following:

JMC 40004 Computer-Assisted Reporting	3	JMC 46009 Reporting Public Affairs	4
JMC 40005 Feature Writing	3	JMC 46021 Magazine Writing and Editing	3
JMC 40012 Online Journalism	3	JMC 46052 Advanced Broadcast News: Practices	3
JMC 46006 Editorial Writing	3	JMC 46054 Broadcast Documentary	3
JMC 46007 Reporting in Depth	3		

Note 2: JMC elective (3-4 credit hours), choose from the following:

JMC 26008 Broadcast Beat Reporting	4	JMC 46006 Editorial Writing	3
JMC 32001 Photojournalism I	3	JMC 46007 Reporting in Depth	3
JMC 40004 Computer-Assisted Reporting	3	JMC 46016 Magazine Publishing	3
JMC 40012 Online Journalism	3	JMC 46020 Magazine Design	3
JMC 40015 Media Management	3	JMC 46021 Magazine Writing and Editing	3
JMC 40095 Special Topics: Cybermedia Design	3	JMC 46054 Broadcast Documentary	3
JMC 46001 Information Graphics	3		

Notes for News Major:

- Only general elective courses may be taken as pass/fail, of which maximum 12 credit hours may be taken as pass/fail.
- Minimum 80 credit hours must be taken outside the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, with 65 of those hours in liberal studies courses.
- Students must meet the requirements in the catalog to declare a journalism and mass communication major.

Liberal Education Requirements (LER)

Students must complete a minimum 36 credit hours of Liberal Education Requirements. Colleges or degree programs may specify certain courses to fulfill the requirements. Courses in the students' major field will not count toward the completion of any LER. Honors equivalents shall satisfy the LER. None of the courses on the LER list may be taken with a pass/fail grade.

Diversity Course Requirement

Students must complete a two-course diversity requirement, consisting of one with a domestic focus and one with a global focus. One course must be come from the LER and cannot be in the student's major. The second course may be taken as a second LER; or within a major or minor; or as a general elective; or, with dean's approval, by completing one semester of study in another country.

Writing-Intensive Course Requirement

Students must complete a one-course writing-intensive requirement in their major and earn minimum C (2.00) grade.

Upper-Division Requirement

In general, baccalaureate programs require the successful completion of at least 39 upper-division (numbered 30000 to 49999) credit hours of coursework. Programs in the College of Arts and Sciences require a minimum of 42 hours of upper-division coursework.