Fall 2024 through Summer 2025	**B.A.J. in Journalism** Visual Journalism Emphasis	**MINIMUM TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 124**

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
General Education (approximately 48-52 hours) for the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism

First Year Writing I (3 hours)
Hon 101, Writ 100 or Writ 101

First Year Writing II (3 hours)
Hon 102, Liba 102, Writ 102

English Literature Survey (6 hours)
Eng 220, 221, 222 223, 224, 225, 226

Modern or Ancient language (6 – 12 hours)
6 hours at the 200-level or higher in a single language

History (6 hours)
Any history courses

Humanities (3 hours)
Any African American Studies, Classics, Philosophy, Religion; Hon 101, 102; G St 103, 201, 202, 311, or 390; Liba 202; Southern Studies (100-level only)

Fine Arts (3 hours)
Any Art History (AH); Mus 101, 102, 103, 104, 105; Thea 201; Danc 200; Liba 130

Mathematics (3 hours)
Math 115, 120, 121, 123, 125, 261, 267 or 268
Recommended: Math 115 or Math 120

Political Science 101 (3 hours) AND additional social science (3 hours)
Pol 101 and any additional 3-hour Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology

Natural Science (9 to 11 hours)
Biology (cannot take **BOTH** BISC 102 **AND** 160 OR BISC 104 AND 162); Chemistry (NOT CHEM 101); Geology (cannot take **BOTH** Geol 101 **AND** 104); Liba 150, 151; Astronomy (CANNOT take **BOTH** Astr 101 **AND** 103) OR ASTR 101 **AND** 104) or Physics; at least two courses must include a lab; each lecture course must be a minimum of three credit hours

Diversity (3 hours)
This course is in addition to any course used to fulfill the humanities requirement. Any African American Studies, Gender Studies, Religion, or Southern Studies; Anth 101, 303; Soc 313, 325, or 413; Jour 345, 400, 513; 3 hours from an approved study abroad experience.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
A minimum grade of C is required in all Jour courses that apply toward the major

JOURNALISM CORE (18 hours)
Jour 101—Media, News & Audience

Jour 102—Intro to Multimedia Writing

Jour 103—Visual Media Principles

Jour 270—Digital Story Production

Jour 271—Information Gathering

Jour 369—Media Law and Ethics

*The core is a prerequisite for all emphases.

CONCEPTUAL COURSES (6 hours)
Jour 301—History of Mass Media

Jour 310—Social Media in Society

Jour 345—Digital Media Diversity

Jour 513—The Press and the Changing South

Jour 575—Mass Media Ethics and Social Issues

VISUAL JOURNALISM EMPHASIS (12 hours)
Jour 273—Creative Visual Thinking

Jour 375—Photojournalism

Jour 403—Advanced Photojournalism
(Jour 375 is a required prerequisite)

CHOOSE 1 ADDITIONAL COURSE FROM THE LIST BELOW.

IMC 305—Visual Communication
(Jour 273 is a required prerequisite)

Jour 479—Applied Video Storytelling

Jour 590—Multimedia Storytelling I

MINOR REQUIREMENTS
A minor field of study (usually 18 hours) is required for this major. Courses will not count toward both major and minor.

ELECTIVES
Electives to bring the total minimum number of hours to 124.

At least 42 hours of coursework in the general education, major, minor, and elective hours must be at the 300-level or above.

Please speak with your advisor about opportunities to get experience practicing your journalism skills through our school-sponsored media outlets, internships, and other programs.

YEAR	FIRST SEMESTER	HOURS	SECOND SEMESTER	HOURS
FRESHMAN	WRIT 100 OR 101	3	WRIT 102 OR LIBA 102	3
	MATH	3	JOUR 102	3
	SCIENCE W/LAB	3/4	JOUR 103	3
	JOUR 101	3	FINE ART	3
	EDHE 105	3	SCIENCE W/LAB	3/4
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15
SOPHOMORE	JOUR 270 (REQUIRED CO-REQ—JOUR 271)	3	JOUR 273	3
	JOUR 271	3	JOURNALISM CONCEPTUAL COURSE	3
	POL 101	3	200-LEVEL ENGLISH LITERATURE	3
	FOREIGN LANGUAGE 100-LEVEL	6	FOREIGN LANGUAGE 200-LEVEL	6
	JOUR 369	3	SCIENCE W/O LAB	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	18	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	18
JUNIOR	JOUR 375	3	JOUR 403	3
	GENERAL ELECTIVE AT 300+	3	JOURNALISM EMPHASIS ELECTIVE AT 300+	3
	200-LEVEL ENGLISH LITERATURE	3	HISTORY	3
	HUMANITIES	3	DIVERSITY	3
	ELECTIVE OR MINOR	3	ELECTIVE OR MINOR AT 300+	3
	SOCIAL SCIENCE	3		
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	18	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15
SENIOR	JOURNALISM CONCEPTUAL COURSE	3	HISTORY	3
	GENERAL ELECTIVE 300+	3	GENERAL ELECTIVE AT 300+	3
	ELECTIVE OR MINOR AT 300+	3	ELECTIVE OR MINOR AT 300+	3
	ELECTIVE OR MINOR AT 300+	3	ELECTIVE OR MINOR AT 300+	3
		3	ELECTIVE OR MINOR AT 300+	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

INFORMATION CONCERNING SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND NEW MEDIA REQUIREMENTS:

- All BAJ candidates must have a minor.
- A minimum grade of C is required for all Journalism courses.
- In some minors, a minimum grade of C is required for each course.
- Students must complete 42 hours of 300+ level coursework.
- Honors students should refer to the prescribed honors curriculum set forth by the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College.
- Each senior must apply for a degree by submitting an Intent to Graduate Form to the Dean's Office at least two semesters preceding the semester in which the student expects to graduate.
- Refer to the Academics and Admissions section in the catalog for all rules associated with the B.A.J. degree, such as residency requirements for majors and minors.

INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- An overall 2.0 GPA or higher is required on all work attempted at UM, all college work attempted at any institution of higher learning (UM and transfer work), and all coursework submitted toward the degree.
- At least 25% of the hours required for an undergraduate degree must be taken in residence, with at least 12 of the last 21 credit hours completed at UM.
- In addition, at least 30 semester hours of residence credit must be taken in the school or college recommending the degree.
- The limit on the acceptance of credit from a junior or community college is one-half the total requirements for a degree.

Refer to the Undergraduate Academic Regulations section in the catalog for all university degree requirements.