



**SCHOOL of BUSINESS  
& COMMUNICATION**

**Department of Communication**  
**B.A. in Communication (Journalism)**  
CORRESPONDS WITH THE 2019-2020 ACADEMIC CATALOG

Students are required to complete 15 Communication core units, 33 emphasis units, 61 General Education units, and 13 elective units. A minimum total of 122 units is required to graduate.

**COMMUNICATION CORE COURSES**

Units	Term	
3		C211 Introduction to Mass Communication
3		C472 Rhetorical Criticism (preq. C371 or C391)

EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

3		C371 Interpersonal Communication
3		C391 Intercultural Communication

COMMUNICATION WRITING COURSE, CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

3		C254 Journal and Autobiographical Writing
3		C321 Screenwriting I
3		C351 Creative Writing

EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

3		C382 Persuasion
3		C481 Argumentation & Debate

15 Total units required for core

**BIBLICAL STUDIES**

Units	Term	
3		B101 Old Testament Survey I
3		B102 Old Testament Survey II
3		B121 Essentials of Christian Thought
3		B201 New Testament Survey I
3		B202 New Testament Survey II
3		BTH321 Christian Theology I
3		BTH322 Christian Theology II

21 Total units required

*Other Substitutions for Communication majors\*\*\**

For B102: IBEX300

For B201: IBEX300

For H211/H212: Pass World Hist. Competency Exam & 3 units of Upper Division History

For MA240: MA101, MA121, MA262

\*\*\* Substitutions: Refer to G.E. Substitutions and Waivers in the Academic Catalog

**GENERAL EDUCATION**

Units	Term	
3		C100 Spoken Communication
3		E110 English Composition
3		Essentials of Literature (choose one - see below *)
3		General Literature Elective (choose one - see below * or **)
3		ECN200 Essentials of Economics & Society
3		GS150 Essentials of Geology or LS150 Essentials of Biology
1		GS150 Essentials of Geology Lab or LS150L Essentials of Biology Lab
3		H211 Essentials of World History I
3		H212 Essentials of World History II
3		H230 Essentials of U.S. History
3		MA240 Critical Thinking & Quantitative Analysis
3		MU190 Essentials of Music & Art
3		P311 Essentials of Philosophy
3		POL220 U.S. Government

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- \* E211 English Literature I
- E212 English Literature II
- E221 World Literature I
- E222 World Literature II
- E231 American Literature I
- E232 American Literature II

- \*\* E313 Age of Romanticism
- E314 Victorian Age
- E334 The Short Story
- E335 The English Novel
- E374 Studies in Jane Austen
- E404 Studies in John Calvin
- E405 Shakespeare
- E406 Milton
- E415 Contemporary Literature
- E416 Modern British Writers
- E425 20th Century American Literature
- E453 Psychoanalytic Criticism

**TMU Graduation Requirements**

- Complete a minimum of 122 semester units of credit
- Complete a minimum of 40 semester units in upper division courses
- Satisfy all General Education requirements
- Complete the required curriculum for the chosen major field(s) of study
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.00 (cumulative) in all TMU courses. (Some majors have different GPA requirements. Please see your department for details.)
- Complete a minimum of 32 semester units of non-Directed Studies coursework at TMU or 32 semester units of TMU Online major courses.
- Complete at least 12 of the final 24 semester units at TMU

All students must be aware that they undertake complete responsibility for managing their progress toward graduation. Faculty advisors will attempt to assist in this process; however, given the fluidity of student progress, each student must ultimately assume responsibility for completing all graduation requirements. This checklist is designed as an aid to help students manage their progress, but it does NOT replace the Academic Catalog. In any case where this checklist contradicts the catalog, the catalog issued during the student's first semester at TMU shall be considered the official degree criteria.

**EMPHASIS COURSES**

**JOURNALISM EMPHASIS COURSES**

CHOOSE ELEVEN OF THE FOLLOWING

Units	Term	
3		C122 Social Media and Communication
3		C132 Podcast Studio
3		C138 Photo Journalism
3		C234 Travel Writing DS (requires advisor approval)
3		C338 Multi-Media Storytelling (preq. C311 or C261 – required for emphasis)
3		C303 The Documentary
1-8		C320 Newspaper Workshop (min of 2 sem. required for emphasis)
3		C331 Freelance Entrepreneurship in the Digital Age (jr/sr standing)
3		C341 Magazine Writing (preq. C261)
3		C261 Introduction to Journalism (required for emphasis)
3		C352 Editing I, Principles of Copyediting
3		C362 Writing Editorials and Columns
3		C373 Graphic Design I
3		C404 Graphic Design II (preq. C373)
1-9		C430 Honors Internship (requires advisor approval)
3		C432 Sports Journalism (preq. C261 or instructor approval)
3		C492 In-Depth Reporting (preq. C261 – required for emphasis)
3		C452 Editing II, Advanced Copyediting (preq. C352)
(courses => 300 level require Sophomore standing or higher)		
33		Total units required for emphasis

Also acceptable (max of 9 units for Journalism emphasis):

3		POL325 Political Parties and Elections
3		POL333 The Presidency
3		POL334 Congress
3		POL336 Political Communication
3		POL423 The Judicial Process
3		POL424 Law & Public Policy
3		POL446 The Supreme Court & the Bill of Rights

Communication Degree Requirements:	
General Education Course Units	61
Communication Core Course Units	15
Journalism Emphasis Course Units	33
Electives (any elective course from catalog)	13
<b>Total Units</b> *40 units must be upper division (300/400 level)	<b>122</b>
Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 (cumulative) in all TMU courses	
GPA of 2.0 or better in major courses or repeat the course	
Complete at least 12 of the final 24 semester units at TMU	