

SPORTS MEDIA, BA

Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2026-2027. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (<https://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation>).

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00

Total Hours: 120

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| General Education Requirements | | |
| <i>English Composition</i> | | |
| See Academic Regulation 3.5 (https://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>Quantitative Thought & Logical Reasoning (Q)</i> | | |
| STAT 2013 | Elementary Statistics (Q) | 3 |
| or STAT 2053 | Elementary Statistics for the Social Sciences (Q) | |
| <i>Understanding Humanities-Human Heritage & Cultures (H)</i> | | |
| Courses designated (H) | | 6 |
| <i>Reasoning in the Natural Sciences (N)</i> | | |
| Must include one Laboratory-Based Inquiry (L) course | | |
| Courses designated (N) | | 6 |
| <i>Exploring Society & Human Behavior (S)</i> | | |
| ECON 1113 | The Economics of Social Issues (S) | 3 |
| or ECON 2103 | Introduction to Microeconomics (S) | |
| SPCH 2713 | Introduction to Speech Communication (S) | 3 |
| <i>Diversity (D)</i> | | |
| MC 1143 | Media in a Diverse Society (DS) | 3 |
| <i>Global Cultural Competency (G)</i> | | |
| Courses designated (G) | | 3 |
| <i>Additional General Education</i> | | |
| Additional general education credit hours (at least 1 hour) are required to meet the total 40-hour minimum. If courses carry more than one general education designation and can be used to meet multiple minimum general education designation hours above, more than 1 hour of additional general education will be required here to meet the 40-hour minimum. | | |
| Courses designated (Q), (H), (N), (S), (D), (G), or (F). | | 1 |
| Hours Subtotal | | 40 |
| College/Departmental Requirements | | |

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| UNIV 1111 | First Year Seminar (or other approved first-year seminar course) | 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, 24 earned credit hours and declared SPM major required to take the following classes: | | |
| MC 2003 | Mass Media Style and Structure | 3 |
| MC 2023 | Digital Media Essentials | 3 |
| SPM 2843 | Sports and the Media | 3 |
| <i>Upper-division Professional Sequence</i> | | |
| Proficiency Review required | | |
| MMJ 3153 | Fundamentals of Video and Studio Production | 3 |
| SPM 3813 | Sports Reporting for Multimedia | 3 |
| MMJ 4393 | Data Journalism | 3 |
| SPM 3863 | Advanced Sports Reporting for Multimedia | 3 |
| SPM 4883 | Sports Media Capstone | 3 |
| MC 4143 | Ethics and Issues in Mass Communications | 3 |
| MC 4163 | Mass Communication Law | 3 |
| Select 9 hours from the following: | | 9 |
| MMJ 3263 | Multimedia Reporting | |
| MMJ 3313 | Multimedia Editing | |
| MMJ 3873 | Podcast and Audio Production | |
| MMJ 3913 | Multimedia Content Creation | |
| MMJ 4433 | Multimedia Feature Writing and Storytelling | |
| MMJ 4960 | Live Production (3 hours, max 6) | |
| SPM 4053 | Sports Announcing | |
| SPM 4813 | Sports Media Production | |
| SPM 4833 | Sports Information | |
| SPM 4853 | Advanced Sports Writing | |
| Select 9 hours additional of MC-MMJ-SC-SPM (3 hours must be upper-division) | | 9 |
| Select 6 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 | | 6 |
| Hours Subtotal | | 54 |
| Electives | | |
| Select 4 hours - One hour may need to be upper-division. | | 4 |

May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education or College of Arts and Sciences courses outside major department (see note 2.c.)

MATH 1483 or MATH 1513 required if student does not place directly into STAT

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| Hours Subtotal | 4 |
| Total Hours | 120 |

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.

No more than 6 hours in MC-MMJ-SC-SPM transferred from other institutions can be used toward major requirements. Additional hours in MC-MMJ-SC-SPM transferred from other institutions may be applied to other degree requirements as appropriate.

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

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.

College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

- Hours in One Department:** For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be required to meet degree requirements. 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 required from one department.
- 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 (Q), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (Q) 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 (Q) or (N) general education designation.
 - Six upper-division hours are required from General Education or any CAS courses outside the student's major department (<https://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/>). 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 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 with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

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 2032.