

MAMC: Journalism – Thesis or Project-in-Lieu of Thesis For JM students beginning Spring 2010

DEGREE PLAN OF: _____ DATE _____
Please print your name.

SPECIALTY: _____ MINOR (if any): _____

ADVISER: _____

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 31 CREDITS MINIMUM (excluding undergraduate courses throughout the university). Students write and successfully orally defend a thesis or complete and successfully orally defend a project. No more than six (6) thesis/project credits may be applied to the minimum total of thirty-one (31). Students who lack appropriate undergraduate studies or work experience in journalism will complete articulation courses.

A. CORE. 9 CREDITS REQUIRED. Complete all of the following.

		Credit	Term/Year	Grade
MMC 6400	Mass Communication Theory	3	_____	_____
MMC 6421*	Research Methods in Mass Communication*	3	_____	_____
MMC 6660	Mass Communication and Society	3	_____	_____

*May substitute MMC 6936—Qualitative Research, with permission from your adviser.

B. JOURNALISM. 12 CREDITS REQUIRED.

Three of these credits **MUST** be MMC 5206 unless student has successfully completed a prior media law class with a grade of B- or higher.

		Credit	Term/Year	Grade
JOU 5007	History of Journalism	3	_____	_____
JOU 5705	Issues and the Press	3	_____	_____
JOU 6309	Seminar in Journalism as Literature	3	_____	_____
MMC 5005	Mass Communication History	3	_____	_____
MMC 5015	Survey of Electronic Publishing	3	_____	_____
MMC 5206	Advanced Law of Mass Communication	3	_____	_____
MMC 5306	International Communication	3	_____	_____
MMC 6905	Individual Work: advanced skills	3	_____	_____
MMC 6612	New Media and a Democratic Society	3	_____	_____
MMC 6936	Special Topics in Mass Communication—various topics	_____	_____	_____

C. ELECTIVES. 6 CREDITS REQUIRED. Chosen from graduate courses within or outside the college, which may be applied toward a minor or supporting field. **Must be letter-graded and NOT S/U.** For term that the college’s seminars are offered see current “Courses by Term” list.

		Credit	Term/Year	Grade
MMC 6202	Legal Problems of Mass Communication.*	3	_____	_____
MMC 6409	Science/Health Communication	3	_____	_____
MMC 6417	Seminar in Mass Media and Health	4	_____	_____
MMC 6423	Content Analysis Methods	3	_____	_____
MMC 6615	Race, Class, Gender & Media	3	_____	_____
MMC 6618	Survey of Political Communication	3	_____	_____
MMC 6665	Seminar in First Amendment Theory.*	4	_____	_____
MMC 6667	Seminar in Advanced Topics in Mass Communication Law.*	4	_____	_____
MMC 6668	Seminar in Public Policy Toward Mass Media.*	4	_____	_____
MMC 6930	Seminar in Mass Communication Teaching.	3	_____	_____
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D. SOCIAL SCIENCES/HUMANITIES REQUIREMENT, if any (credits do not apply toward minimum degree requirements).

REQUIREMENT FULFILLED THROUGH:

	Credit	Term/Year	Grade
_____ Statistics	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

E. ARTICULATION & OTHER COURSES, if any (credits do not apply toward minimum degree requirements).

	Credit	Term/Year	Grade
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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F. THESIS OR PROJECT. 4 CREDITS REQUIRED, typically over two or more terms. For fall or spring graduation, take three (3) credits in final term; for summer graduation, take two (2) credits in final term. No more than six (6) thesis/project credits may be applied to the minimum total of thirty-one (31).

	Credit	Term/Year	Grade
MMC 6971 or Research for Master's Thesis or Project. S/U MMC 6973	_____	_____	_____
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IRB (Institutional Review Board) FORM COMPLETION DATE: _____

(only applicable for 6971 research involving human subjects)

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 31 CREDITS MINIMUM (excluding undergraduate courses throughout the university).

Signatures below indicate approval of this degree plan.

Signature of Student

Date Signed

Signature of Academic Adviser

Date Signed

Signature of Associate Dean, Division of Graduate Studies

Date Signed

*See Graduate Catalog for prerequisites.