

MAMC: Journalism – Thesis or Project-in-Lieu of Thesis

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. Must be letter-graded and NOT S/U.

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 5015	Survey of Electronic Publishing	3	_____	_____
MMC 5206	Advanced Law of Mass Communication	3	_____	_____
MMC 6612	New Media and a Democratic Society	3	_____	_____
MMC 6936	Sports Media and Society	3	_____	_____
MMC 6936	Magazine and Feature Writing	3	_____	_____
MMC 6905	Individual Work: advanced skills	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 5306	International Communication	3	_____	_____
MMC 6409	Science/Health Communication	3	_____	_____
MMC 6417	Seminar in Mass Media and Health	3	_____	_____
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 6666	Seminar in Research in Mass Communication Law	4	_____	_____
MMC 6930	Seminar in Mass Communication Teaching	3	_____	_____
MMC 6936	Documentary and Social Change	3	_____	_____
MMC 6936	Social Influence of New Media	3	_____	_____
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D. SOCIAL SCIENCES/HUMANITIES REQUIREMENT, if any (credits do not apply toward minimum degree requirements; (Grade of C or higher required).

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 MMC 6973	Research for Master's Thesis or Project. S/U	_____	_____	_____
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IRB (Institutional Review Board) FORM COMPLETION DATE: _____
(only applicable for 6971 research involving human subjects)

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Signatures below indicate approval of this degree plan.

_____	<i>Signature of Student</i>	_____	<i>Date Signed</i>
_____	<i>Signature of Academic Adviser</i>	_____	<i>Date Signed</i>
_____	<i>Signature of Graduate Coordinator</i>	_____	<i>Date Signed</i>
_____	<i>Signature of Associate Dean, Division of Graduate Studies</i>	_____	<i>Date Signed</i>

*See Graduate Catalog for prerequisites.