



2025-2026

Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations

48 Units

Use this checklist in combination with your official Academic Requirements Report (ARR). This checklist is not intended to replace advising. Consult a JPR adviser for appropriate course sequencing. *Curriculum changes in progress. Requirements subject to change.*

Prerequisites

Complete ALL of the following courses (9 units total):		
JOUR 110: Mass Media and Society (3)		
GE 4C: Social Sciences (D3)		
JOUR 120: News Writing and Ethics (3)		
JOUR 270: Principles of Public Relations (3)		

Complete ALL of the following courses (27 units total):		
JOUR 305: Media Design (3)		JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 374: Media Relations Writing (3)		JOUR 120 and 270 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 375: Strategic Communication for Public Relations (3)		JOUR 120 and 270 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 430: Communication Law and Policy (3)		Upper Division Standing
JOUR 470: Digital Tools for Public Relations (3)		JOUR 120 and 270 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 471: Public Relations Management and Campaigns (3)		JOUR 374 or 375 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 478: Public Relations Case Studies (3)		Upper Division Standing
JOUR 494: Research Methods (3)		Upper Division Standing
JOUR 498: Internship (3)		Senior Standing or Consent of Instructor
Note: Students can take JOUR 498 twice (up to six units)		

Public Relations Electives - Complete 12 UNITS from the following courses (12 units total):		
JOUR 104: Social Media Communication (3)		
JOUR 160: Understanding News Media (3)		
GE 1B: Critical Thinking (A3)		
JOUR 180: Is It Real or Is It AI? AI, Algorithms, and Media (3)		
GE 1B: Critical Thinking (A3)		
JOUR 240: Multimedia Storytelling (3)		Corequisite: JOUR 120
JOUR 300: Photojournalism (3)		JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 310: Writing for the LBC (3)		JOUR 120 a "C" or Better or Consent of Instructor
JOUR 311: News Reporting and Ethics (3)		JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 312: Global News Media (3)		GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
GE4 UD: Upper Division in Social Sciences (UD D)		
JOUR 315: Literary Journalism (3)		GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
GE3 UD: Upper Division C (UD C) + Writing Intensive (WI)		
JOUR 316: Freelance and Feature Writing (3)		JOUR 311 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 318: Sports Journalism (3)		JOUR 120 and 240 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 321: Broadcast News Writing and Reporting (3)		JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 325: Video for Social Media (3)		JOUR 104 or JOUR 120

JOUR 331: Editing for Print and Online (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 333: Data Journalism (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 335: Entertainment Publicity (3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 340: Advanced Multimedia Journalism (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 350: Writing in Spanish for Journalism and PR (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 360: Culture and Politics of the Internet (3) GE4 UD: Upper Division D (UD D) + Writing Intensive (WI)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
JOUR 380: Advanced Photojournalism (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better, JOUR 300
JOUR 382: Podcasting (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 390: Crisis Communication (3)	JOUR 270
JOUR 405: Advanced Media Design (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better, JOUR 305
JOUR 411: Data Detectives: Democracy, Citizen Journalism, and Open Government (3) GE2 UD: Upper Division in Quantitative Reasoning (UD B)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
JOUR 412: Theories of Mass Communication (3)	
JOUR 415: Diversity in the Media (3) GE4 UD: Upper Division in Social Sciences (UD D)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 418: Journalism: Past, Present & Future (3) GE4 UD: Upper Division in Social Sciences (UD D)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 420: Beat Reporting for the LBC (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 422: Senior Media Production (1)	
JOUR 425: The Business of Journalism (3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 431: Mass Media Ethics (3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 440: Trends in Online Media (3)	JOUR 120 and 240 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 450: Bilingual Journalism (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better; or Consent of Instructor
JOUR 482: Television News Production and Performance (3)	JOUR 120 and 321 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 485: Public Relations Agency (3) (Bateman Team)	JOUR 270 with a Grade of "C" or Better and Consent
JOUR 490: Selected Topics in Mass Communications (1 - 3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 495: Enterprise Reporting in Diverse Communities (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 499: Special Projects (1 - 3)	Consent of Instructor

++Public Relations students are encouraged to complete a focused area of study outside of the discipline, which may include a certificate or minor.

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