



2026 - 2027 Minor in Journalism

18 Units

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

Courses	Prerequisites
Complete ALL of the following courses (6 units total):	
JOUR 110: Mass Media and Society (3)	
JOUR 120: News Writing and Ethics (3)	

Journalism Electives - Complete 12 UNITS from the following, including at least 6 UNITS of upper division (12 units total):	
JOUR 104: Social Media Communication (3)	
JOUR 160: Understanding News Media (3)	
JOUR 180: Is it Real or Is it AI? AI, Algorithms and Media (3)	
JOUR 240: Multimedia Storytelling (3)	Corequisite: JOUR 120
JOUR 270: Principles of Public Relations (3)	
JOUR 300: Photojournalism (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 305: Media Design (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 310: Writing for the LBC (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better; or Consent
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
JOUR 315: Literary Journalism (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
JOUR 316: Freelance and Feature Writing (3)	JOUR 120 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 120
JOUR 331: Editing for Print and Online (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade 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 Public Relations Careers (3)	JOUR 120 with a Grade of "C" or Better
JOUR 360: Culture and Politics of the Internet (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
JOUR/GLST 365: Social Media, AI, and Democracy (3)	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 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)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
JOUR 412: Theories of Mass Communication (3)	
JOUR 415: Diversity in the Media (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
JOUR 418: Journalism: Past, Present, and Future (3)	GE Foundations; 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: Advertising, Operations and Strategic Communications for Media Organizations (3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 430: Communication Law and Policy (3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 431: Mass Media Ethics (3)	
JOUR 440: Trends in Online Media (3)	JOUR 120 and 240 with Grades of "C" or Better

Courses	Prerequisites
JOUR 450: Bilingual Journalism (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better; or Consent
JOUR 480: Magazine Writing and Editing (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 482: Television News Production and Performance (3)	JOUR 120 and 321 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 490: Selected Topics in Mass Communications (1 - 3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 494: Research Methods (3)	Upper Division Standing
JOUR 495: Enterprise Reporting in Diverse Communities (3)	JOUR 240 and 311 with Grades of "C" or Better
JOUR 498: Internship (3)	Senior Standing or Consent of Instructor
JOUR 499: Special Projects (1 - 3)	Consent of Instructor

In order to graduate from CSULB, students must complete General Education/GWAR/Major requirements and have a minimum of 120 units (40 must be upper division) with at least a 2.0 in all GPAs (Overall, CSULB, Major).

Additional Information

- See [online Catalog](#) for additional course information, limitations, and requirements.
- Some courses may also fulfill GE requirements. Visit the GE website for course selection: csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements.
- A course can only be used to satisfy one minor requirement. **Double counting is not allowed within the minor.**
- The Minor in Journalism is available to any student except those majoring in Journalism or Public Relations.

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