FAII	NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST		UUPC ApprovalUFS Approval	
	Undergraduate P	rograms	Banner Posted	
FLORIDA ATLANTIC	Department School of Communication a	nd Multimedia Studies	Catalog	
UNIVERSITY	College Arts and Letters			
Program Name SCMS (all degree	es: Com, FVNM, and MMSJ)	New Program	Effective Date (TERM & YEAR)	
		<b>✓</b> Change Program	Fall 2022	
Please explain	the requested change(s) and offer ra	ationale below or on an	attachment	
vestige of an ol remove this req				
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Carol Bishop Mills, Millsc@fau.edu x0044  Carol Bishop Mills, Millsc@fau.edu x0044  Consult and list departre the change(s) and attact		ents that may be affected by a documentation		
Approved by	CBMills		Date 10/10/2021	
Department Chair			10/10/2021	

Email this form and attachments to <a href="migmailto:mjenning@fau.edu">mjenning@fau.edu</a> one week before the UUPC meeting so that materials may be viewed on the UUPC website prior to the meeting.

10.28.2021 11-3-2021

College Curriculum Chair

Dan Meerof

Undergraduate Studies Dean Edward Pratt

College Dean

UUPC Chair

**UFS President** 

Provost

# School of Communication and Multimedia Studies

#### Faculty:

Mills, C., Director; Bargsten, J.; Charbonneau, S.; Darlington, P.; Durnell-Uwechue, N.; Eason, S.; Fejes, F.; Guneratne, A.; Heidt, S.; Hofmann, M.; Lewter, B.; Marin, N.; McAfee, F.; Mulvaney, B.; O'Hara, T.; Pendakur, M.; Petrich, K.; Poole, D.; Prusher, I.; Reilly, S.; Robé, C.; Santaniello, N.; Scodari, C.; Sim, G.; Sobnosky, M.; Trapani, W.; Von Spalding, R.; Williams, D.; Winn, L.

#### Mission

The mission of the FAU School of Communication and Multimedia Studies (SCMS), carried out through its courses, research and services, is to help provide the knowledge and skills that will allow students to understand and contribute to the increasingly communication- and media-oriented environment. Communication courses are designed to help students become: 1) more ethical, effective communicators in all contexts, from interpersonal to large public gatherings, print, radio, television, film and emerging technologies, and 2) more critical and analytical consumers of communication in all its many aspects.

In the undergraduate program, the School offers a variety of liberal arts and technically oriented courses that cover theoretical, historical, multicultural, analytical, critical and performance approaches to communication processes and media. At the same time, the program allows students to emphasize areas of particular interest: communication studies; film, video and new media and multimedia journalism.

The School's overarching goal for its graduates is to provide them with a broad liberal arts education. Students will be afforded the opportunity to gain a technical and/or professional orientation sufficient to qualify them for a first job in any business or institution that needs employees who are effective communicators. Students will also be afforded the background needed to pursue further education in communication or related fields.

The School offers a B.A. in Communication Studies and a B.A. in Multimedia Studies with a concentration in Film, Video and New Media or a concentration in Multimedia Journalism. It also offers advanced degrees in Communication and Multimedia Studies, with an M.A. in Communication and an M.F.A. in Media, Technology and Entertainment. (The M.F.A. is currenlty on suspension and not accepting students.)

#### Link to Master's Programs

#### **BACHELOR'S PROGRAMS**

### **Prerequisite Coursework for Transfer Students**

Students transferring to Florida Atlantic University must complete both lower-division requirements (including the requirements of the Intellectual Foundations Program) and requirements for the College and major. Lower-division requirements may be completed through the A.A. degree from any Florida public college, university or community college or through equivalent coursework at another regionally accredited institution. Before transferring and to ensure timely progress toward the baccalaureate degree, students must also complete the prerequisite courses for their major as outlined in the *Transition Guides*.

All courses not approved by the Florida Statewide Course Numbering System that will be used to satisfy requirements will be evaluated individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment.

## Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Studies/Link to Multimedia Studies

Students who enroll for a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Communication Studies must meet all University and Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters requirements. These include satisfactory completion of a total of 120 credits, 60 of which must be earned at a four-year college or university, and 8 credits in sequence in a single foreign language. A Communication Studies major must complete 12 upper-division credits in Arts and Letters electives beyond the General Education requirements or complete a minor or a certificate program. A student whose GPA falls below 2.0 will be dropped from the major. A GPA of 2.0 or higher is required for transfer to the major.

The B.A. in Communication Studies is a problem-focused program that emphasizes contemporary cultural concerns while situating these within the broader historical context of communication and cultural theory. The purpose of the degree is to provide students with the awareness, knowledge, motivation and skills to develop communication strategies to address the problems of a global society, and the emphasis is on all forms of civic engagement. The

program examines the strategic role that symbol systems play in constructing meaning in a fast-changing, information-based, media-saturated and culturally diverse world. Courses examine how meaning informs and persuades individuals, and introduce students to the history and theories of how communication operates in societies. The goals are for students to develop both high level oral and written communication skills and critical thinking and analytical problem-solving skills, and to become active in civic life.

Core		
Introduction to Communication and Civic Life	COM 2053	3
Senior Capstone: Capstone in Communication and Civic Life	SPC 4271	3
Theory (Three courses required)		
Human Communication Theory	COM 3405	3
New Media and Civic Discourse	COM 4603	3
Classical Rhetoric	SPC 3233	3
Contemporary Rhetoric	SPC 3235	3
Rhetorical Foundations of Publics and Counterpublics	SPC 3272	3
Rhetorical Theories of Persuasion	SPC 3542	3
Intercultural Theory	SPC 3717	3
Methods (Two courses required)		
American Multicultural Discourse	SPC 3704	3
Rhetorical Analysis of Democracy (WAC course)	SPC 4273	3
Rhetoric of Argument (WAC course)	SPC 4517	3
Rhetorical Criticism (WAC course)	SPC 4680	3
Performance (Two courses required)		
Storytelling	COM 4703	3
Interpersonal Communication	SPC 2300	3
Public Speaking	SPC 2608	3
Small Group Processes	SPC 3425	3
Argumentation and Debate	SPC 4513	3
Contexts (Three courses required)		
Communication, Gender and Language	COM 3014	3
Organizational Communication	COM 3120	3
Conflict and Communication	COM 3462	3
Political Communication	COM 3500	3
Communication Internship	COM 3945	3
Media and Sexual Identities	COM 4094	3
Strategic Communication	COM 4150	3
Corporate Communication	COM 4201	3
Rhetoric and Aesthetics of Contemporary Culture	COM 4411	3
Non-Verbal Communication in a Diverse Society	COM 4461	3
Peace, Conflict and Oral Narrative	COM 4707	3
Minorities and the Media	MMC 3601	3

International Communication	MMC 4301	3
Media, Representation and Diversity	MMC 4704	3
Public and Community Relations	PUR 4411	3
Gender and Television	RTV 4412	3
Intercultural Communication	SPC 3710	3
Studies in Rhetoric	SPC 4232	3
Leadership and Communication	SPC 4443	3
Propaganda	SPC 4540	3
Rhetoric of Social Protest	SPC 4633	3
Gender, Race and Communication	SPC 4712	3
Ethnicity and Communication	SPC 4718	3



#### **Honors Program in Communication**

The Honors Program in Communication allows highly motivated and well-prepared students to pursue a course of study organized around a specific topic, area of interest or creative project. Students take a special sequence of courses both within and outside the School. In their last semester they complete a senior honors thesis or a senior honors project under the direction of a School faculty advisor.

#### **Communication Studies Minor**

A minor in Communication Studies requires that the student complete both MMC 1540 and COM 2053 plus 12 credits in courses with COM, SPC or MMC prefixes, no less than 9 credits of which must be at the 3000 level or above. At least 15 of the 18 credits must be taken at FAU.

### **Bachelor of Arts with Major in Multimedia Studies**

Students who enroll for a Bachelor of Arts degree with Major in Multimedia Studies must choose one of two concentrations: the Film, Video and New Media concentration or the Multimedia Journalism concentration. In addition, students must meet all University and Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters requirements. These include satisfactory completion of a total of 120 credits, 60 of which must be earned at a four-year college or university, and 8 credits in sequence in a single foreign language. A Multimedia Studies major must complete 12 upper-division credits in Arts and Letters electives beyond the General Education requirements or complete a minor or a certificate program. Students in the Multimedia Journalism concentration whose GPA falls below 2.0 will be dropped from the major. A GPA of 2.0 or higher is required for transfer to this major.

### Film, Video and New Media Concentration

The Film, Video and New Media concentration is a comprehensive curriculum including courses in film and television studies, video production, computer animation and new media. Courses analyze the power and responsibility of American and international film and video and new technologies from formal, historical, economic and ideological perspectives. This concentration is committed to helping students understand film, video, television and new media texts in relation to the worlds they represent. Its course of study emphasizes not only the meanings of these texts, but also the processes by which these meanings are constructed and disseminated. The goal is to help the undergraduate understand the study and creation of visual media within the larger contexts of human visual and verbal expression and to shape students into sophisticated readers and producers of visual culture. Courses consider both mainstream and alternative media and include industrial and artistic approaches, linking production techniques and aesthetics to industry, history and politics.

Core (the following courses are required)		
Film Appreciation	FIL 2000	3
Film Theory	FIL 3803	4

Multimedia Practicum	VIC 4943	4
History (one course from the following re		
History and Theory of Computer Arts and Animation	DIG 4026	4
Film to the 1940s	FIL 4036	4
Film since the 1940s	FIL 4037	4
Production Fundamentals (one course fro	om the following i	equired)
Fundamentals of Multimedia	DIG 3110	4
Fundamentals of 3D Computer Animation	DIG 3305C	4
Video Production	RTV 3531	4
Criticism (one course from the following r	required)	I
Studies in New Media	COM 4332	3
Film Criticism	FIL 4851	3
Media Criticism	MMC 4501	3
Production and Contexts (six courses fro with a minimum of 18 credits)*	m the following re	equired,
Production		
Drawing Foundations	ART 1300C	3
Drawing 2: Figure Drawing	ART 2330C	4
Introduction to Game Programming	CAP 4028	3
Communication Internship	COM 3945	3
Digital Video Editing	DIG 3207	4
Digital Audio Recording and Editing	DIG 3253C	4
Advanced 3D Computer Animation	DIG 3306C	4
Advanced 3D Computer Modeling for Animation	DIG 3323C	4
Visual Design for Film, Animation and Games	DIG 4122C	4
Advanced Digital Compositing for Animation	DIG 4394C	4
Narrative Video Production	DIG 4412	4
Scriptwriting	FIL 4106	4
Exhibition Practices in Film, Video and New Media	FIL 4613	4
Interactive Multimedia	MMC 3711	4
New Media Narrative	MMC 4713	4
Digital Photography 1	PGY 2109C	4
Television Production	RTV 3543C	4
Experimental Video Production	RTV 3229	4
Documentary Video Production	RTV 3332C	4
Contexts		
Anthropology of Film	ANT 3391	3
Video Game Studies	DIG 4713	3
Literature and Film	ENG 4114	3
New Hollywood	FIL 3674	3

Bollywood: The Exotic and The Erotic	FIL 3836	3
Women and Film	FIL 4056	3
Radical Film, New Media and Social Movements	FIL 4058	4
Documentary Film and Video	FIL 4364	4
RI: Hollywood, Censorship and Regulation	FIL 4672	4
Studies in Asian Cinema	FIL 4843	3
Sound in the Cinema	FIL 4866	3
Italian Cinema: Text to Screen	ITT 3520	3
Mass Communication Theory	MMC 3403	3
Minorities and the Media	MMC 3601	3
Media, Culture and Technology	MMC 4263	3
U.S. Telecommunication Industry	RTV 4403	3
Gender and Television	RTV 4412	3
Spanish Literature and Film	SPT 4720	3

<sup>\*</sup> Courses listed in History, Criticism and Production Fundamentals may be substituted in this category if they are not used to fill other requirements.



#### **Multimedia Journalism Concentration**

The Multimedia Journalism concentration prepares students to work in the new media convergence environment—where competition, deregulation and digital technology break down the barriers between print, radio, television and the Internet. Students are expected to develop strong basic writing and analytical skills. Then they are expected to become adept at writing and producing for multiple media platforms simultaneously, exhibiting the versatility necessary to succeed in a quickly evolving and growing media market, as well as to fully exercise the civic responsibilities of journalists for the lively functioning of democratic institutions.

Before enrolling in JOU 4181, Coverage of Public Affairs, students in the Multimedia Journalism concentration must take the Multimedia Journalism Skills Test (spelling, grammar and punctuation), which is offered at the University Testing Center every semester. The test may be taken a maximum of two times and may only be taken once in a given semester.

JOU 4181 thus serves as the gateway course to the next Multimedia Journalism Performance and Production courses in the curricular sequence: RTV 4301, Broadcast Journalism; JOU 4342, Multimedia Journalism; and the capstone course RTV 4304, Advanced Broadcast Journalism (or its "Disciplinary Core" alternative VIC 4943, Multimedia Practicum).

## Required Credits for the B.A. in Multimedia Studies: Multimedia Journalism Concentration (120 credits):

Intellectual Foundations Program (44 credits) Multimedia Journalism Major (38 credits) College of Arts & Letters Electives (12 credits) Free Electives (26 credits)

Core (the following courses are required)		
U.S. Journalism	JOU 4004	3
Introduction to Multimedia Studies	MMC 1540	3
Public Opinion	MMC 4640	3
Multimedia Practicum <b>or</b> Advanced Broadcast Journalism	VIC 4943 <b>or</b> RTV 4304	4

Production (the following courses are required)		
News and News Reporting	JOU 3101	3
Coverage of Public Affairs	JOU 4181	3
Multimedia Journalism	JOU 4342	3
Broadcast Journalism	RTV 4301	4
Focus (select a minimum of 12 required	I credits from the lis	st below)
Political Communication	COM 3500	3
Communication Internship	COM 3945	3
Studies in New Media	COM 4332	3
News Media Ethics	COM 4621	3
Fundamentals of Multimedia	DIG 3110	4
Web Research for Journalists	DIG 4820	3
Documentary Film and Video	FIL 4364	4
Feature and Freelance Writing	JOU 4308	3
Environmental Journalism	JOU 4314	3
International Reporting	JOU 4316	3
Photojournalism	JOU 4601	4
Special Topics	JOU 4930	3
Mass Communication Theory	MMC 3403	3
Mass Communication Law and Regulation	MMC 4200	3
Media, Culture and Technology	MMC 4263	3
Public and Community Relations	PUR 4411	3
Documentary Video Production	RTV 3332C	4
Video Production	RTV 3531	4
Television Production	RTV 3543C	4
Video Production	RTV 3531	4
U.S. Telecommunication Industry	RTV 4403	3
Intercultural Communication	SPC 3710	3

## FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY – INTELLECTUAL FOUNDATION PROGRAM

All courses are three (3) credits unless otherwise indicated. Course selections should be made in consultation with an academic advisor.

## SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION & MULTIMEDIA STUDIES (2020-2021)

Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters Bachelor of Arts (BA)

		Dactietor of Arts (DA)
(6 credit hours required – Writi Grade of "C" or higher i ENC 1101College Writing I ENC 1102College Writing I THE FOLLOWING COURSES BELOW I English Department ENC 1939+Special Topic: Co ENC 2452+Honors Composi History Department HIS 2050+Writing History  Note: Students must take four Writing	+ MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR ENC 1102:  llege Writing	FOUNDATIONS OF MATHEMATICS & QUANTITATIVE REASONING (6 credit hours required – Grade of "C" or higher is required) Student must take 2 of the following courses, 1 must be from group A. The second course may be from group A or group B. PRETEST MAY BE REQUIRED BEFORE TAKING YOUR FIRST MATH COURSE  Group A  MGF 1106 Math for Liberal Arts 1 MGF 1107 Math for Liberal Arts 2 MAC 1105 College Algebra STA 2023 Introductory Statistics MAC 2311 Calculus with Analytic Geometry 1 (4 credits) or any mathematics course for which one of the above courses is the direct prerequisite  Group B MAC 1147 Precalculus Algebra & Trigonometry (4 credits) MAC 2210 Intro Calculus w/Applications (4 credits) (Permit Only) MAC 2331 Methods of Calculus MAC 2312 Calculus with Analytic Geometry 2 (4 credits)  Computer Science & Engineering Department COP 1034C Computer Programming & Data Literacy for Everyone (For Non-College Engineering & Computer Science majors) Philosophy Department PHI 2102 Logic
(6 credit hours required - One Student must take 2 of the followin The second course may b  Group A  Biology Department BSC 1005 & L Life Science (3 cr. incl. Lab)  Chemistry Department CHM 1020C Contemporary Chemical Issues  Geosciences Department ESC 2000 The Blue Planet (online) EVR 1001	CE & THE NATURAL WORLD of the courses must have a lab) ng courses, 1 must be from group A. e from group A or group B.  Group B  Anthropology Department ANT 2511 & L Intro to Biological Anthropology (4 cr. Incl. Lab) Chemistry Department CHM 2083 Chemistry in Modern Life (P/F) Engineering Dean Department ETG 2831 Nature: Inter. of Sci., Eng., &	FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIETY & HUMAN BEHAVIOR  (6 credit hours required)  Student must take 2 of the following courses, 1 must be from group A.  The second course may be from group A or group B.  Group A  History Department  AMH 2020 & D United States History Since 1877 (P/F)  Anthropology Department  ANT 2000 & D Introduction to Anthropology (WAC)  Economics Department  ECO 2013 Macroeconomic Principles §  Political Science Department  POS 2041 Government of the United States  Psychology Department  PSY 1012 Introduction to Psychology
Env. Science and Sustainability  Physics Department AST 2002 Intro. to Astronomy (P/F)	the Humanities  Geosciences Department  GLY 2010C  Physical Geol. (4 cr. incl. Lab)  GLY2100  History of Earth and Life  MET 2010 & D  Weather and Climate  Physics Department  PSC 2121  Physical Science	Sociology Department SYG 1000Sociological Perspectives  Group B  History Department AMH 2010 & D United States History to 1877 (P/F)  Economics Department ECO 2023Microeconomic Principles § ECP 2002Contemporary Economic Issues  Exceptional Student Education Department EEX 2091Disability and Society  Geosciences Department
(D) = Discussions (D) or (L) are link discussion. If you select one of these lecture, lab, and/or discussion. You discussion.	e courses, you must register for the	Languages, Linguistics, & Comparative Literature Department LIN 2001Introduction to Language (online course)  Public Administration Department PAD 2258Changing Environment of Soc., Bus., & Gov't  Sociology Department SYG 2010Social Problems

\_ URP 2051..... Designing the City

# **FOUNDATIONS IN GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP** (6 credit hours required)

Student must choose two (2) courses from among the following:

#### Anthropology Department

ANT 2410 ......Culture and Society

## **Curriculum, Culture & Education Department**

EDF 2854 ..... Educated Citizen in Global Context

#### **Geosciences Department**

GEA 2000 ......World Geography

#### **Political Science Department**

\_ INR 2002.....Introduction to World Politics

## Languages, Linguistics, & Comparative Literature Department

LAS 2000 .....Intro to Caribbean & Latin American Studies \_ LIN 2607 ......Global Perspectives on Language

#### **Sociology Department**

\_ SYP 2450 .....Global Society

#### **Social Work Department**

SOW 1005 ......Global Perspectives of Social Services

#### **History Department**

WOH 2012 & D..... History of Civilization 1 (WAC) ++

WOH 2022.....History of Civilization 2

## STUDENTS ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR MEETING ALL **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Course selections should be made in consultation with an academic advisor.

#### **FOUNDATIONS OF HUMANITIES**

(6 credit hours required)

Student must take 2 of the following courses, 1 must be from group A. The second course may be from group A or group B.

#### Group A

#### **Visual Art & Art History Department**

ARH 2000..... Art Appreciation (P/F)

#### **Music Department**

MUL 2010..... Music Appreciation

#### **Philosophy Department**

PHI 2010 & D ...... Introduction to Philosophy (WAC) ++

#### **Theatre & Dance Department**

\_ THE 2000 ...... Theatre Appreciation

#### **Group B**

#### **Architecture Department**

ARC 2208 ...... Culture & Architecture

#### **Theatre & Dance Department**

DAN 2100 ..... Appreciation of Dance

#### **School of Communication & Multimedia Studies**

FIL 2000 & D...... Film Appreciation (Required for Film, Video & New Media)

## Languages, Linguistics, & Comparative Literature Department

LIT 2100 ...... Introduction to World Literature

#### **English Department**

LIT 2010..... Interpretation of Fiction (WAC) ++

LIT 2030..... Interpretation of Poetry (WAC) ++

LIT 2040...... Interpretation of Drama (WAC) ++

LIT 2070...... Interpretation of Creative Nonfiction (WAC) ++

#### Legend

- ENC 1101 is a prerequisite.
- Two Foundations of Written Communications classes are required before taking this course.
  - Sophomore standing (30 credits earned) is a requirement to take this course.

WAC - (WAC) Writing across the curriculum course.

#### § Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC)/Gordon Rule

Students must attain grades of "C" or higher. 12 credits of writing (WAC) and 6 credits of mathematics are required.

Students must take four (4) WAC courses. Two (2) courses are to be taken from Foundations of Written Communication. We strongly recommend the two additional WAC courses come from these courses: PHI 2010, WOH 2012, LIT 2010, LIT 2030, LIT 2040 and LIT 2070. See advisor for additional details.

#### (D) = Discussion, (L) = Lab

Courses indicating a (D) or (L) are linked with a lecture, a lab, and/or a discussion. If you select one of these courses, you must register for the lecture, lab, and/or discussion. You must attend the lecture, lab, and/or discussion.

#### **Elective Credits**

The number of elective credits allowed varies by major. Please consult with an academic advisor to determine the number of elective credits required for your major. Certain majors do not allow any electives.

#### P/F

Certain designated undergraduate courses may be taken for a letter grade of pass (P) or fail (F). Students must indicate the grade option preferred when registering; otherwise, a letter grade will be given. The maximum credit available to any student on the P/F option is one course per term with a maximum of 12 credits during a student's entire course of study. This option is not available for courses in the student's major, for students on probation, or for Engineering majors.

#### https://myfau.fau.edu

## Go to MyFAU to:

Check e-mail

See FAU Announcements

### **FAU Self-Service:**

Course schedules

Registration (drop/add classes) and withdrawals

Student records and financial aid

**Tuition** payments

The University Course Catalog

**University Advising Services** March 4, 2020 Page | 2 FOREIGN LANGUAGE (4 - 8 credits, 1 or more courses in the same language) - REQUIRED FOR MAJOR

Students with more than one year of a foreign language in high school should enroll in the second half of the beginners' foreign language class (ARA/CHI/FRE/GER/HBR/ITA/JPN/LAT/SPN 1121) or a higher-level course. Proficiency for a first-level course can be earned by successfully completing a second-level course. For questions related to this requirement, consult an academic advisor. CLEP exam credits meet this requirement: see the catalog.

**NOTE:** Native Speakers of a foreign language must consult the Languages, Linguistics, and Comparative Literature Department regarding this requirement.

**NOTE**: Honors Seminars SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS MEETING THE GORDON RULE WRITING REQUIREMENT. See the University Advising Services Office for details.

#### MAJOR COURSES, COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS and ELECTIVES

#### ARTS AND LETTERS (12 credits, 4 courses)

Majors are required to complete 12 credit hours in elective courses at the 3000/4000 level within the College of Arts and Letters, excluding courses from the major within the School of Communication and Multimedia Studies.

**NOTE**: See catalog for specific requirements, course descriptions, & additional information. The requirements for some Intellectual Foundations Program courses and other courses may be satisfied by passing the appropriate AP or CLEP exam. Check with your advisor or college.

Students majoring within the School of Communication and Multimedia Studies must meet all University and Dorothy F. Schmidt College requirements. These include satisfactory completion of a total of 120 semester credits. Students must receive at least a "C" in each course in their major. This does not apply to Free Electives. No major course can be taken pass/fail. Minimum G.P.A. requirements apply to the School's majors. Consult with your academic advisor, college, and/or department for the most current G.P.A. requirements.

Students follow the requirements for the year they enter into the program. This may be different from the year they enter the University.

44 credits
15 - 32 credits
16 - 39 credits
17 CREDITS

Intellectual Foundations Program and Foreign Language
Free Electives (depends on sequence)
Arts and Letters Electives at 3000/4000 level
School of Communication and Multimedia Studies major
TOTAL

#### SEQUENCE IN FILM, VIDEO, & NEW MEDIA (38 – 39 credits minimum)

The Sequence in Film, Video and New Media is a comprehensive curriculum that includes courses in film studies, television studies, video production, computer animation, and studies and practices in multimedia, interactive media, and new technologies. The goal is to help the undergraduate understand the study and creation of visual media within the larger contexts of human visual and verbal expression, and to shape students into sophisticated readers and producers of visual culture. Courses consider both mainstream and alternative media, and include industrial and artistic approaches, linking production techniques and aesthetics to industry, history and politics.

#### **SEQUENCE IN MULTIMEDIA JOURNALISM (38 credits minimum)**

The Multimedia Journalism Sequence prepares students to work in the new media convergence environment where competition, deregulation, and digital technology break down the barriers among print, radio, television, and the Internet. Students are expected to develop strong basic writing and analytical skills and then to become adept at writing and producing for multiple media platforms simultaneously, exhibiting the versatility necessary to succeed in a quickly evolving and growing media market. The goals of the Multimedia Journalism Sequence are to provide a broad liberal arts education as well as developing professional skills, so the graduates are able to fully exercise the civic responsibilities of journalists for the lively functioning of democratic institutions. In addition, students will choose an emphasis in another discipline that will help them fulfill the important role of information provider in today's global, technological, and information-based society.

II. Students must pass the required spelling, grammar, and punctuation test offered at the University Testing Center.

## SEQUENCE IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES (36 credits minimum)

The B.A. in Communication Studies is a problem-focused program that emphasizes contemporary cultural concerns while situating these within the broader historical context of communication and cultural theory. The purpose of the degree is to provide students with the awareness, knowledge, motivation and skills to develop communication strategies to address the problems of a global society, and the emphasis is on all forms of civic engagement. The program examines the strategic role that symbol systems play in constructing meaning in a fast-changing, information-based, media-saturated and culturally diverse world. Courses examine how meaning informs and persuades individuals and introduce students to the history and theories of how communication operates in societies. The goal is for students to demonstrate a high level of oral and written communication, critical thinking and analytical problem-solving skills, and to become active in civic life.

Communication & Multimedia Studies majors with 30 or more credits are advised through the School of Communications and Multimedia Studies and are strongly encouraged to work closely with the faculty and advisors in that department when choosing major courses and electives.

School of Communications and Multimedia Studies Location: Culture and Society building (CU) Room 201

Phone: (561) 297-3850

Website: http://www.fau.edu/scms