



Springfield College Sequencing Guide Communications/Sports Journalism Major (COSJ) ▼ 2023-2024

Requirements are subject to change and may not be offered when listed. Use your online degree audit to verify your progress with your advisor.

Core Curriculum Requirements, Electives, and College Requirements

In addition to the major requirements listed below, you will need to fill the following Core Curriculum categories,

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| • 100-level Wellness & Physical (1 cr) | • Quantitative Reasoning (3 cr) | • Spiritual and Ethical (3 cr) | • Themed Explorations (9 cr) |
| • 200-level Wellness & Physical (1 cr) | • Scientific Reasoning (4 cr) | • Aesthetic Expression (3 cr) | ➤ 3 different prefixes |
| • 300-level Wellness & Physical (1 cr) | • Literature (3cr) | • Historical and Social (3 cr) | ➤ 1 Global course |

This major typically requires 45 credits to complete. In addition to the Core Curriculum and major requirements listed, you must complete,

- **38 elective credits or more** to total at least 120 credits
- A **minimum cumulative GPA** of 2.000 or higher
- The **residency requirement**—45 credits taken at Springfield College (including 15 of your last 30)

Wellness Passport Stamps

All students must complete **24 stamps** upon successful completion of a WLPL 300-level course. Students must complete a minimum of 8 stamps in each of the following domains,

- Mental Wellness
 Physical Wellness
 Meaning and Purpose Wellness

COSJ Major Requirements – Typical First-Year Schedule

Fall:

SCSM 101, Springfield College Seminar (Core requirement – 3 cr)
 ENGL 113, College Writing I (Core requirement – 3 cr)
 COMM 120, Introduction to Journalism (3 cr)
 COMM 134, Introduction to Communication (3 cr)
 Plus other Core and major requirements, or electives to total approximately 15 credits

Spring:

ENGL 114, College Writing II (Core requirement – 3 cr)
 COMM 219, TV/Digital Journalism (3 cr)
 or COMM 225, Internet Journalism (3 cr)
One track course (3 cr) – see track requirements for course options
 Plus other Core and major requirements, or electives to total 30 credits for the year

COSJ Major Requirements – Typical Second-Year Schedule

Fall or Spring:

COMM 219, TV/Digital Journalism (3 cr) **or** COMM 225, Internet Journalism (3 cr)
 COMM 224, Advanced Journalism (3 cr)

*Choose **one** of the following:*

COMM 229, Radio/Audio Journalism (3 cr)
 COMM 319, Advanced Television Production (3 cr)
 COMM 350, Advanced Radio Production and Broadcast Management (3 cr)

Plus Core and major requirements, or electives to total 30 credits for the year

COSJ Major Requirements – Typical Third-Year Schedule

Fall or Spring:

There are no major requirements specifically recommended for your third year. You should select major requirements, Core, or electives to total 30 credits for the year.

COSJ Major Requirements – Typical Fourth-Year Schedule

Fall: COMM 482, Seminar in Mass Communications (3 cr) Plus Core and major requirements, or electives to total approximately 15 credits	Spring: Outstanding major requirements, Core, or electives to total a minimum of 120 credits for your career
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Additional COSJ Major Requirements – Flexible Timing

In general, 200-level courses can be taken first year or later, 300-level can be taken second year or later, 400-level can be taken third or fourth year. Check course descriptions for specific prerequisites.

COMM 386, Journalism Internship (minimum of 3 cr required, may be repeated for a total of 12 cr)

Track Requirements (21 credits)

Choose one of the following tracks:

<p>Sports Journalism Track</p> <p>COMM 211, Sports Information (3 cr) COMM 212, Sports Writing (3 cr) COMM 252, Sports Broadcasting (3 cr) COMM 301, Media Sport and Culture (3 cr)</p> <p>Choose three of the following selectives (9 cr):</p> <p>COMM 130, Multimedia Writing COMM 208, Newspaper and Magazine Design COMM 220, Photojournalism COMM 229, Radio/Audio Journalism COMM 230, Video Editing COMM 234, Student Newspaper Practicum COMM 235, Student Media Practicum COMM 239, Introduction to Public Relations COMM 240, Social Media Theory and Practice COMM 260, The Press in America COMM 288, Special Topics in Journalism COMM 310, Media, Law, and Ethics COMM 315, Feature Writing COMM 319, Advanced Television Production COMM 320, Media, Culture, and Society COMM 325, Journalistic Ethics COMM 330, Advanced Public Relations COMM 350, Advanced Radio Production COMM 388, Special Topics in Journalism ENGL 301, Advanced Composition ENGL 305, Writing for the Professions ENGL 377, History of the English Language</p>	<p>Multimedia Journalism Track</p> <p>COMM 130, Multimedia Writing (3 cr) COMM 220, Photojournalism (3 cr) COMM 239, Intro to Public Relations (3 cr) COMM 325, Journalistic Ethics (3 cr)</p> <p>Choose three of the following selectives (9 cr):</p> <p>COMM 208, Newspaper and Magazine Design COMM 211, Sports Information COMM 212, Sports Writing COMM 230, Video Editing COMM 234, Student Newspaper Practicum COMM 235, Student Media Practicum COMM 252, Sports Broadcasting COMM 240, Social Media Theory and Practice COMM 260, The Press in America COMM 288, Special Topics in Journalism COMM 301, Media, Sport, and Culture COMM 310, Media, Law, and Ethics COMM 315, Feature Writing COMM 319, Advanced Television Production COMM 320, Media, Culture, and Society COMM 330, Advanced Public Relations COMM 350, Advanced Radio Production COMM 388, Special Topics in Journalism ENGL 301, Advanced Composition ENGL 305, Writing for the Professions ENGL 377, History of the English Language</p>	<p>Communications Track</p> <p>COMM 239, Intro to Public Relations (3 cr) COMM 240, Social Media Theory & Practice (3 cr) COMM 320, Media, Culture, & Society (3 cr) COMM 330, Advanced Public Relations (3 cr)</p> <p>Choose three of the following selectives (9 cr):</p> <p>COMM 130, Multimedia Writing COMM 208, Newspaper and Magazine Design COMM 211, Sports Information COMM 212, Sports Writing COMM 220, Photojournalism COMM 230, Video Editing COMM 234, Student Newspaper Practicum COMM 235, Student Media Practicum COMM 252, Sports Broadcasting COMM 260, The Press in America COMM 288, Special Topics in Journalism COMM 301, Media, Sport, and Culture COMM 310, Media, Law, and Ethics COMM 315, Feature Writing COMM 319, Advanced Television Production COMM 325, Journalistic Ethics COMM 350, Advanced Radio Production COMM 388, Special Topics in Journalism ENGL 301, Advanced Composition ENGL 305, Writing for the Professions ENGL 377, History of the English Language</p>
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COSJ Major – Program Standards

Program standards for the COSJ major include, but are not limited to:

- Earn a minimum of 2.500 for all courses required for the major and any COMM electives

For more information about these and other program standards, contact your advisor or the COSJ program coordinator.