

JOURNALISM CERTIFICATE

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The goal of the journalism certificate is to cultivate the next generation of professional Christian journalists. To meet this goal, this certificate enacts three objectives:

1. To provide a strong undergraduate preparation for students interested in career journalism;
2. To encourage students to seriously consider journalism as a desirable Christian vocation; and
3. To develop a global network of internship and career opportunities for student journalists.

Students pursuing the certificate will be approved by the program coordinator and will be expected to meet regularly with the coordinator and other journalism students for program review, networking, and career discussions. Certificate students will be required to attend two co-curricular or extra-curricular journalism events per semester for four semesters. Events may include guest lectures, involvement with *The Record*, or other student publications, consultation with visiting practitioners, and participation in World Journalism Institute conferences. Students are encouraged to take advantage of courses beyond the required 24 hours.

Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Core Requirements ¹		
COMM 215 or COMM 415	Journalism Special Topics in Journalism	4
COMM 246	Media Production	4
Select one of the following Media and Society courses:		4
COMM 241	Media Studies	
COMM 404	Advanced Topics in Communication (topic by permission of the Journalism Certificate director)	
COMM 441	Media, Religion, and Culture	
Elective Requirements ¹		
Select 4 to 6 credits of the following:		4-6
ARTS 322 or ARTS 362		
COMM 415	Special Topics in Journalism (and/or COMM 416)	
ENGW 332, 333, or ENGW 444 (Requires permission of instructor and one 200-level writing course; topic varies and requires approval by Certificate Coordinator for Certificate credit.)		
Practitioner Requirements ²		
COMM 219	Journalism Co-Curricular (4 semesters required)	
Select 6-8 credits of the following:		6-8
COMM 296	Journalism Practicum	
COMM 498	Journalism Internship	
Total Credits Minimum		24

¹ At least 6 credits of core and elective requirements must be in upper division (300 or 400 level) courses.

² At least four credits of practitioner requirements must receive a letter grade.