



School of Communication and Media  
Department of Communication and Organizational Leadership

## BACHELOR OF ARTS (B.A.) IN NEWS AND SPORTS COMMUNICATION (120 CREDITS)

The study plan below lists the required courses in this degree program. The plan is for guidance only. Always review your individual check sheet for your degree requirements. For full course descriptions, see the [RMU Course Catalog](#). For more information, contact: Dr. Anthony Moretti, Dept. Head and Associate Professor, Communication and Organizational Leadership, [moretti@rmu.edu](mailto:moretti@rmu.edu)

### RMU CORE COURSES - 39 CREDITS REQUIRED

CSEN; or CSCM	1010; or 2050	Reading & Writing Strategies; OR Intercultural Communications (Honors section: CSHR2050)	3
CSEN	1020	Argument & Research (Honors section: CSHR1025)	3
CSCM	1030	Public Speaking & Persuasion (Honors section: CSHR1030)	3
CSCM	2040	Professional Communication in Workplace (Honors section: CSHR2040)	3
ECON	1010	Survey of Economics (Honors section: ECON1015)	3
HUMA	1010	Humanities: Art and Music (Honors section: HUMA1015)	3
INFS	1020	Fundamentals of Information Technology (Honors section: INFS1025)	3
MATH; or STAT	1050; or 2110	Math Reasoning with Applications; OR Statistics (Honors section: STAT2125)	3
PSYC	1010	General Psychology (Honors section: PSYC1015)	3
SOCI	1010; or 1020	Principles of Sociology; OR Contemporary American Social Problems (Honors section: 1025)	3
HIST; or POLS	____; or _____	History elective; select from HIST1100, HIST1200, HIST1500, HIST1600, HIST1700, HIST1800 (HNRS HIST1105); OR Political Science elective POLS 1020 American National Government (HNRS: 1025)	3
ENGL	_____	Literature Elective Choose from 1040, 1050, 1060, 2030, 2040, 2055 (Honors section: 2065), or 2080	3
_____	_____	Natural Science Elective Choose from BIOL1040, BIOL1050, BIOL1060, BIOL1250, BIOL1320, CHEM1220, ENVS1140, ENVS1160, ENVS1170, GEOL1090 (HNRS: GEOL1095), GEOL1100, GEOL1130, PHYS1060, or SCIE1020	3

### NEWS AND SPORTS COMMUNICATION (NSSC) - 48 CREDITS REQUIRED - Minimum grade of "C" must be earned for each course

#### CORE COURSES - 9 Credits Required

COMM	1500	Ethics, Technology and Culture	3
COMM	2030	Communication Theory	3
COMM	2900	Research Methods in Communication	3

#### REQUIRED COURSES IN THE MAJOR - 39 Credits Required

##### Writing Intensive Courses - 12 Credits Required

NSSC	1500	Media Writing and Reporting I	3
NSSC	2500	Media Writing and Reporting II	3
NSSC	2000	Broadcast and Online Reporting	3
NSSC	4010	Mass Media Capstone	3

##### News and Sports Courses - 9 Credits Required

NSSC; or COMM	1000; or 2010	Media and Society; or Communication and Sport	3
NSSC; or NSSC	3500; or 3085	Interaction of News, Politics and Media; or Interaction of Sports, Politics and Media	3
NSSC; or NSSC	4000; or 3065	Investigative Reporting; or Sports Reporting	3

##### Interdisciplinary Course - 3 Credits Required

ORGL	3700	Leadership and Communication	3
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##### NSSC-Recommended Elective Courses – 15 Credits Required – Select five (5) courses - Recommended courses to select from:

NSSC	3075	Journalism Abroad/FLEAP	3	15
NSSC	4903-09	News and Sports Comm (NSSC) Internship (max of 9 credits)	3	
ORGL	1100	Introduction to Leadership and Followership	3	
ORGL	1200	Diversity/Multiculturalism in Organizations	3	
ORGL	2000	Leadership & Popular Culture	3	
ARTM	2020	Digital Imaging	3	
ARTM; and ARTM	2400; and 0240	Field Production; and co-req Field Production Lab	3 & 0	
ARTM; and ARTM	2410; and 0241	Multi-Camera Studio; and co-req Multi-Camera Studio Lab	3 & 0	

##### OPEN ELECTIVES – 33 CREDITS REQUIRED – Recommended: A minor or double major

_____	_____	Open Elective 1	3	_____	_____	Open Elective 7	3
_____	_____	Open Elective 2	3	_____	_____	Open Elective 8	3
_____	_____	Open Elective 3	3	_____	_____	Open Elective 9	3
_____	_____	Open Elective 4	3	_____	_____	Open Elective 10	3
_____	_____	Open Elective 5	3	_____	_____	Open Elective 11	3
_____	_____	Open Elective 6	3			<b>TOTAL CREDITS:</b>	<b>120</b>

