

## Elective Course Options for Journalism Majors – Spring 2023

### **Important Notes:**

1. If a course is required for your major, it cannot also count as an elective in your Journalism plan of study. You can find a checklist for your specific major sequence from the University Catalog (<https://illinoisstate.edu/catalog/>)
2. **Double check all prerequisites on Course Finder** (<https://coursefinder.illinoisstate.edu/>) to make sure you are eligible to enroll in a particular course.
3. Courses not included on this list are major-blocked for students in other Communication majors (i.e., Mass Media, Public Relations, or Communication Studies).
4. Overrides into full courses are not considered. If a course is full, you should select another option. If you are in immediate need of a specific course for graduation, please contact your academic advisor.
5. Journalism Electives fall into two different categories – Group A (15 total hours needed) and Group B (6 total hours needed). Please refer to the undergraduate catalog to learn more about course options for each Group of electives: <https://illinoisstate.edu/catalog/undergraduate/communication/journalism-course-requirements/>

### **Elective Course Options:**

- COM 201: Communication and Social Issues
- COM 202: Persuasive Communication
- COM 211: Live Sports Production
- COM 214: Radio Management (*requires consent of instructor*)
- COM 218: Communication Technologies and Impacts
- COM 223: Small Group Processes
- COM 225: Nonverbal Communication
- COM 226: Classical Rhetoric
- COM 228: Introduction to Interview
- COM 229: Foundations of Organizational Communication
- COM 240: Visual Communication
- COM 259: Strategic Communication in Sports (*not eligible if you have previously taken COM 275*)
- COM 262: Advanced Radio Applications
- COM 263: Advanced Television Production
- COM 267: Advanced Broadcast Newswriting and Reporting
- COM 271: Broadcast Performance
- COM 272: Intercultural Communication
- COM 274: Environmental Communication
- COM 284: Media Sales
- COM 285: News and Feature Online Production
- COM 287: Independent Study (*contact advisor for more details*)
- COM 291: Undergraduate Teaching Assistantship (*contact advisor for more details*)
- COM 302: Communication Criticism
- COM 303: Controversy and Contemporary Society
- COM 304: Freedom of Speech & Press
- COM 314: Topics in Radio Management (*requires consent of instructor*)
- COM 320: Mass Media: Cultural Criticism and Problems
- COM 324: Theory and Research in Persuasion
- COM 329: Organizational Communication
- COM 334: Film Festival Management & Curation
- COM 341: Media, Sport, and Society
- COM 350: Documentary Film History & Theory
- COM 356: Executive Speechwriting
- COM 360: Mass Media: Theory and Effects
- COM 362: Strategic Media Production
- COM 364: Media Management
- COM 367: Ethical Problems in Mass Media
- COM 371: International Political Communication
- COM 383: Communication for Teachers & Trainers
- COM 385: Editorial & Feature Writing
- COM 390: Topics in Contemporary Communication (Race & Visual Rhetoric)
- COM 398A04: Internships for Journalism Majors (*requires consent of instructor*)