Journalism, BA (Boston)

Website (https://camd.northeastern.edu/program/journalism-ba/)

If you're a news junkie; love to write; want to tell people what's going on in your hometown, around the world, or in an organization, a journalism major at Northeastern University is designed to give you the skills and experience you need to tell your story.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/).

NUpath requirements Creative Expression/Innovation (EI), Interpreting Culture (IC), Societies and Institutions (SI), Difference and Diversity (DD), and Ethical Reasoning (ER) are met through the major course requirements.

NUpath requirement Analyzing and Using Data (AD) may be met through electives in the major.

NUpath requirements Natural and Designed World (ND) and Formal and Quantitative Reasoning (FQ) must be met through general electives.

Journalism Major Requirements

Students transferring from outside institutions must complete a minimum of five 4 SH journalism courses at Northeastern, and these must include:

Code	Title	Hours
JRNL 2201	Journalism 2: Intermediate Reporting	
JRNL 2301	Visual Storytelling in Journalism	
JRNL 4650	Ethics and Diversity in the News Media	

Code	Title	Hours
Introduction to College		
JRNL 1000	Journalism at Northeastern	1
Journalism Courses		
A grade of C or higher is required:		
JRNL 1101 and JRNL 1102	Journalism 1: Fundamentals of Reporting and Writing and Journalist's Toolbox	5
JRNL 2201	Journalism 2: Intermediate Reporting	4
JRNL 2301	Visual Storytelling in Journalism	4
JRNL 3610	Digital Storytelling and Social Media	4
Required Journalism		
JRNL 1150	Understanding Today's News	4
JRNL 2350	The History of Journalism: How the News Became the News	4
JRNL 3550	The First Amendment and the Media	4
JRNL 4650	Ethics and Diversity in the News Media	4
JRNL 5314	Video News Reporting and Producing	4

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Journalism Electives

Complete three journalism electives.

Journalism Major Credit Requirement

Complete 49 semester hours in the major.

Upper-Division Electives

Complete three general electives numbered 3000 or above that do not double-count with the major or NUpath.

Program Requirement

129 total semester hours required

Plan of Study

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Sample Plans of Study
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FOUR YEARS, TWO CO-OPS SUMMER SECOND HALF/FALL

Year 1

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
JRNL 1000		1 JRNL 1101 and JRNL 1102		5 Elective		4 Elective	
JRNL 1150		4 Foreign language		4 Elective		4 Elective	
ENGW 1111		4 EEAM 2000		1			
Foreign Language		4 Elective		4			
Elective		4 Elective		4			
		17		18		8	
Year 2							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
JRNL 2201		4 JRNL 2350		4 Elective		4 Co-op	
Journalism elective 1		4 Journalism elective 2		4 Elective		4	
Foreign language		4 Elective		4			
Elective		4 Elective		4			
		16		16		8	
Year 3							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Со-ор		0 JRNL 2301		4 Elective		4 Co-op	
		JRNL 3550		4 Elective		4	
		JRNL 5314		4			
		Elective		4			
		0		16		8	
Year 4							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours				
Со-ор		0 JRNL 3610		4			
		JRNL 4650		4			
		Journalism elective 3		4			
		Elective		4			
		0		16			

Total Hours: 131

FOUR YEARS, TWO CO-OPS SPRING/SUMMER FIRST HALF

Year 1

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
JRNL 1000		1 JRNL 1101 and JRNL 1102		5 Elective		4 Elective		4
JRNL 1150		4 Foreign language		4 Elective		4 Elective		4
ENGW 1111		4 Elective		4				
Foreign Language		4 Elective		4				

Elective		4						
	17		17		8			8
Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
JRNL 2201		4 Со-ор		0 Со-ор		0 Elective		4
Journalism elective 1		4				Elective		4
Foreign language		4						
Elective		4						
EEAM 2000		1						
		17		0		0		8
Year 3								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
JRNL 2301		4 Со-ор		0 Со-ор		0 Elective		4
JRNL 2350		4				Elective		4
JRNL 5314		4						
Journalism elective 2		4						
		16		0		0		8
Year 4								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours					
JRNL 3550		4 JRNL 4650		4				
JRNL 3610		4 Journalism elective 3		4				
Elective		4 Elective		4				
Elective		4 Elective		4				
		16		16				

Total Hours: 131