



The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students pursuing the A.A. may select courses that satisfy both the A.A. degree requirements and lower division requirements for a bachelor's degree at four-year institutions. The 33 hours of electives within the A.A. allows students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors. The A.A. degree requires completion of 64 credit hours, the maximum number of hours from a community college that will be applied toward a bachelor's degree at most four-year schools. Meeting with a JCCC counselor is strongly recommended for selection of appropriate courses.

The requirements below are effective for students entering college in fall semester 2006 and thereafter.

Students who have completed the following requirements are eligible to be candidates for admission to the School of Journalism:

- ❖ **Regular Admission:** Completion of at least 45 credit hours including a second-level math course, oral communication course, natural science course with lab, economics course, social science course, humanities course (from those shown below), completion of a foreign language through the second level and JOUR 101 or the equivalent with minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA.
- ❖ Three required English courses with an English GPA of 2.67 when taken at KU; 3.0 when transferred, or 2.67 plus an English ACT score of 25 or higher.

Admission is competitive. The number of students admitted each semester depends on the number graduating the preceding semester and the school's overall capacity. Candidate selection is based on GPA. Ninety percent of available spaces are filled by the candidates with the highest GPA. The remaining ten percent are selected from among those who petition before the deadline, provided that the student has a minimum overall GPA of 2.5 or higher. Application deadlines: September 1 for spring and February 1 for summer and fall semesters.

The BSJ degree requires 124 hours of college credit; a minimum of 33 hours and no more than 39 hours of journalism courses within the 124-hour total. **Only 12 transfer hours in journalism may be counted toward the degree.** Sixty-four credits may be transferred from a community college. Students should be aware that 45 junior/senior credit hours are required for completion of the bachelor's degree. Thirty hours must be completed after admission to the School of Journalism.

Pass/Fail Policy: Journalism courses and courses listed in the required English category (section I below) will **NOT** be accepted with a "P". Students should use caution in exercising this option as this grading system is not acceptable to some schools, scholarship committees and honorary societies.

"D" Grades: Not accepted.

KU Requirements

JCCC Equivalents

I. English (9 hours)						
*ENGL 101	English Composition	3		___ ENGL 121	Composition I	3
*ENGL 102	Critical Reading and Writing	3		___ ENGL 122	Composition II	3
* A third English course		3		† ___ ENGL 130	Introduction to Literature	3
				† ___ ENGL 217	Literature by Women	3
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Student must have a 3.0 English GPA in the three required English courses (Composition I and II and a third English course) or a 2.67 English GPA and an English ACT of 25 if transferring the courses to KU from another college.						

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<p>II. Oral Communication (3 hours) *Speech (COMS 130 or 230) Exemption is granted through the Communication Studies department for one year of high school speech or debate with a grade of "B" or better or for an approved special experiences petition.</p>	<table> <tbody> <tr> <td>___ SPD 121</td> <td>Public Speaking OR</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ SPD 130</td> <td>Elementary Debate</td> <td>3</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	___ SPD 121	Public Speaking OR	3	___ SPD 130	Elementary Debate	3																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
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Social Science (3 courses in one department; must include one upper division course at KU)

*One course must be completed before admission.

Anthropology

___	ANTH	125	Cultural Anthropology	3
†	___	ANTH	130 World Cultures	3
†	___	ANTH	134 Native Americans	3
†	___	ANTH	150 People and Cultures of Mesoamerica	3
†	___	ANTH	153 The Anthropology of the Paranormal & Supernatural	3

Economics

†	___	ECON	132 Survey of Economics	3
†	___	ECON	230 Economics I	3
†	___	ECON	231 Economics II	3

Communications

___	SPD	180	Intercultural Communications	3
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Geography

___	GEOS	145	World Regional Geography	3
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Applied Behavioral Science

___	PSYC	215	Child Development	3
___	PSYC	218	Human Development	3

Political Science

___	POLS	122	Political Science	3
___	POLS	124	American National Governmt	3
___	POLS	126	State and Local Governmt	3
___	POLS	132	Intro to Comparative Governmt	3
___	POLS	135	International Relations	3

Psychology

___	PSYC	121	Applied Psychology	3
___	PSYC	130	Intro to Psychology	3
___	PSYC	200	Industrial and Organizational Psychology	3
___	PSYC	205	Human Sexuality	3
___	PSYC	210	Methodology in Social Science	3
___	PSYC	220	Social Psychology	3
___	PSYC	221	Environmental Psychology	3
___	PSYC	230	Personality Theory	3
___	PSYC	250	Health Psychology	3

Sociology

___	SOC	122	Intro to Sociology	3
___	SOC	125	Social Problems	3
___	SOC	131	Marriage and the Family	3
___	SOC	152	Perspectives on Aging	3
†	___	SOC	165 Chinese Soc: Past and Present	3
___	SOC	205	Sociology of Food	3

Three additional courses in one department of College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; must include one upper division course at KU.**V. *Economics (one course)**

†	___	ECON	132 Survey of Economics	3
†	___	ECON	230 Economics I	3
†	___	ECON	231 Economics II	3

VI. Western Civilization (6 hours)

___	HIST	125	Western Civilization I	3
___	HIST	126	Western Civilization II	3

VII. Mathematics (3 hours)

Second level math course

Select one course from the following:

___	MATH	175	Discrete Math and Its Appl.	3
___	MATH	225	Math as a Decision Making Tool	3
___	MATH	231	Business and Applied Calculus I	3
___	MATH	237	Calculus for Biology and Medicine	5
___	MATH	241	Calculus I	5
___	MATH	181	Statistics	3

VIII. Natural Science (4-5 hours)JCCC courses that fulfill the Natural Science requirement are listed in both columns below. **Note:** *Must include a lab component.

___	BIOL	122/123	Prin of Biology/Lab	3/1	___	PSCI	120	Physical Science	4
___	BIOL	125	General Botany	5	___	ASTR	122	Astronomy	4
___	BIOL	127	General Zoology	5	___	GEOS	130	General Geology	5
___	BIOL	130/131	Environ Sci/Lab	3/1	___	GEOS	140/141	Physical Geography/Lab	3/2
___	BIOL	135	Prin. of Cell and Molecular Biology	4	___	CHEM	120	Chemistry in Society	4
___	BIOL	140	Human Anatomy	4	___	CHEM	122	Principles of Chemistry	5
___	BIOL	144	Human Anatomy/Physiology	5	___	CHEM	124/125	Gen Chem I/Lab	4/1
___	BIOL	150	Biology of Organisms	5	___	PHYS	130	General Physics I	5
___	BIOL	225	Human Physiology	4	___	PHYS	131	General Physics II	5
___	BIOL	230/231	Microbiology/Lab	3/2	___	PHYS	220	Engineering Physics I	5
					___	PHYS	221	Engineering Physics II	5
								or any other 4 or 5 hour laboratory science course.	

* Required for admission to the School of Journalism. Students must complete one of the three distribution courses in the social sciences (in addition to economics), one of three distribution courses in the humanities and foreign language through the second level for admission purposes.

† For students in the School of Journalism, these courses may satisfy requirements in two areas.

IX. Non-Western Culture (3 hours) † These courses may satisfy requirements in two areas.	†	___	ANTH	130	World Cultures	3
	†	___	ANTH	134	Native Americans	3
		___	ANTH	150	People and Cultures of Mesoamerica	3
	†	___	ANTH	153	The Anthropology of the Paranormal & Supernatural	3
	†	___	ARTH	186	Art History: Intro to Asian Art	3
	†	___	HIST	132	History of Africa	3
	†	___	HIST	135	Eastern Civilization	3
	†	___	HIST/HUM/REL	150	Islam: Religion and Civilization	3
	†	___	HIST	164	Japan: The Changing Tradition	3
	†	___	HIST	167	Intro to History: Japan	3
		___	HIST	195	History of the Middle East	3
	†	___	MUS	126	Intro to World Music	3
	†	___	PHIL	142	History of Asian Philosophy	3
	†	___	SOC	165	Chinese Soc: Past and Present	3
	†	___	REL	120	Exploring World Religions	3
	†	___	REL	125	Religions of the East	3
	†	___	WGS	201	Global Women's Studies	3
†	___	WGS	220	The Many Women of Islam	3	

X. Diversity Requirement The diversity requirement for the KU School of Journalism applies to students new to KU in Fall 2007 and thereafter. The diversity requirement may be met in one of seven ways. Go to www.journalism.ku.edu/academics/Diversity%20Req%20Guide.indd.pdf .

XI. Major Requirements Four journalism core courses are required for all students: <u>Foundation Core (6 hours)</u> JOUR 101 Media and Society 3 JOUR 301 Research and Writing 3 Note: Completion of JOUR 101 (or equivalent), admission to the School of Journalism, and the English requirement are prerequisites for JOUR 301. <u>Upper-Level Core (6 hours)</u> JOUR 608 Ethics and the Media 3 JOUR 618 First Amendment & Society 3	___ JOUR 120 Mass Media and Society 3 No Equivalent Course No Equivalent Course No Equivalent Course
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XII. Tracks After completing the foundation level core courses, the student selects a track, News and Information or Strategic Communication. The News and Information track prepares students for careers in reporting, writing and editing for the media, including newspapers, magazines, radio, television and the Internet. The Strategic Communication track prepares students to work in marketing communication fields including advertising and public relations. Students in both tracks will complete a series of upper-level capstone courses at KU. Five to nine hours of specialization/electives are required to complete the degree and meet the 33-hour minimum total journalism hours.
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Students may select from the JCCC journalism courses below that will be accepted as elective hours counting toward the total hours required in the School of Journalism. **Students should be aware that no more than 12 transfer hours in journalism may be counted toward the degree.**

JCCC Journalism Elective Courses

JOUR 122	Reporting for the Media	3
JOUR 125	Fundamentals of Advertising	3
JOUR 127	Introduction to Broadcasting	3
JOUR 130	Principles of Public Relations	3
JOUR 202	Broadcast Performance	3
JOUR 222	Advanced Reporting	3
JOUR 225	Promotional Writing	3
JOUR 227	Basic Television Production	3
JOUR 247	Advanced Video Production	3

Students must complete a minimum of 33 journalism hours and no more than 39 journalism hours within the degree. This includes journalism transfer hours. Additional journalism hours add to the number of hours required for the degree.

It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer program is provided as a service and is updated at least annually. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions.