

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN JOURNALISM: CONCENTRATION IN PHOTOJOURNALISM AND DOCUMENTARY PHOTOGRAPHY ROADMAP

120 Total Units Required

Minimum Number of Units in the Major: 45

This roadmap is a suggested plan of study and does not replace meeting with an advisor. Please note that students may need to adjust the actual sequence of courses based on course availability. Please consult your Degree Planner (<https://registrar.sfsu.edu/degreeplanner/>) and an advisor for further guidance.

To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet the SF State Studies (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) requirements within your GE or major.

Course	Title	Units
First Semester		
JOUR 205	Social Impact of Journalism (Major Core, GE 3B)	3
GE Area 1A: English Composition ¹		3
GE Area 1: English Communication		3
GE Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences ²		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor ^{3,4}		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
JOUR 221	Newswriting (Major Core)	3
JOUR 235	Photojournalism I: Foundations of Photojournalism (Major Concentration, GE 3A)	3
GE Area 1: English Communication		3
GE Area 2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning ⁵		3
GE Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences ⁶		3-4
Units		15-16
Third Semester		
JOUR 226	Introduction to Multimedia Journalism (Major Core)	3
GE Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences ²		3
GE Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences ⁶		3-4
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor - Take Two ^{3,4}		6
Units		15-16

Fourth Semester

JOUR 250	Deadline Journalism (Major Core)	3
JOUR 335	Photojournalism II: Staff Photojournalism (Major Concentration)	3
GE Area 6: Ethnic Studies (https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/areasix/)		3
U.S. and California Government (https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/american-institutions/#usg)		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor ^{3,4}		3
Units		15

Fifth Semester

JOUR 300GW	Reporting - GVAR (Major Core)	3
JOUR 304	Cultural Diversity and News Media (Major Core, AERM, SJ)	3
JOUR 310	Journalism Ethics (Major Core, GE 3UD)	3
GE Area 5UD or 2UD: Upper-Division Sciences or Upper-Division Mathematical Concepts		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor ^{3,4}		3
Units		15

Sixth Semester

JOUR 307	News Media Law (Major Core)	3
JOUR 400	Video Journalism (Major Core)	3
JOUR 435	Photojournalism III: Editorial Photography and Business Practices (Major Concentration)	3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor - Take Two ^{3,4}		6
Units		15

Seventh Semester

JOUR 609	Newspaper Publication Laboratory (Major Practicum)	3
Multimedia - Select One ⁷		3
GE Area 4UD: Upper-Division Social and Behavioral Sciences		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor - Take Two ^{3,4}		6
Units		15

Eighth Semester

JOUR 535	Photojournalism IV: Documentary Capstone (Major Capstone)	3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor - Take Four ^{3,4}		12
	Units	15
	Total Units	120-122

¹ Students should use their Pathway/Category (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/pathways/>) to determine the appropriate GE 1A course option. For directions on how to view your Pathway/Category, visit how to find your pathway (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/howtofindyourpathways/>). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start. (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/>)

² First-time freshmen must take one lower-division Area 4 course that meets US History (USH).

³ **Minor (12 units minimum)**

A Journalism major must complete a minor (12-unit minimum) alongside their bachelor's degree. Completion requires students to maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher. Students should consult with an academic adviser in Journalism to determine a minor that meets their interests and professional goals. Please see the specific minor page in this bulletin for information about requirements.

⁴ **Complementary Studies**

Twelve units of Complementary Studies are required of all candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism. Students completing the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism must complete a minor that has been approved by the department. The minor fulfills the Complementary Studies Requirement.

⁵ Students should use their Pathway/Category (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/pathways/>) to determine the appropriate GE 2 course option. For directions on how to view your Pathway/Category, visit how to find your pathway (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/howtofindyourpathways/>). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start. (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/>)

⁶ Consider taking a class combined with a laboratory or a separate lab to fulfill 5C if not already satisfied.

⁷ **Multimedia (3 units)**

A full list of courses that can fulfill this requirement can be found in the Degree Requirements (<https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-journalism-concentration-photojournalism-documentary-photography/#degreerequirementstext>).