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### TERM 1: FALL

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<td>B2: XIDS 2002</td>
<td>(Recommended) First-Year Seminar Course</td>
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<td>E1: HIST 1111 or 1112</td>
<td>US History</td>
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MILESTONES:
- Complete ENGL 1101; Required to earn C or higher.

### TERM 2: SPRING

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<td>A2: MATH 1401, 1001, or 1111</td>
<td>Elementary Statistics, Quantitative Skills &amp; Reasoning, or College Algebra</td>
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<td>F: COMM 1110</td>
<td>Public Speaking</td>
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<td>E2: HIST 2111 or 2112</td>
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<td>D1: NON-LAB SCIENCE</td>
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MILESTONES:
- Complete ENGL 1102; Required to earn C or higher.
- Complete COMM 1110; Required to earn C or higher.
- Complete 30 credit hours by end of term, including credit hours earned previous terms.

**15 Fall Credit Hours + 15 Spring Credit Hours = 30 Credit Hours**

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### Term 1: Fall

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<td>F: COMM 1154</td>
<td>Introduction to Mass Communications</td>
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<td>Foreign Language 1000-2000</td>
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<td>B1: ORAL COMMUNICATION</td>
<td>Any Option EXCEPT COMM 1154</td>
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MILESTONES:
- Complete first foreign language requirement.
- Complete COMM 1154; Required to earn C or higher.

### Term 2: Spring

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<td>American Government</td>
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<td>F: FOREIGN LANGUAGE</td>
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<td>Media Ethics</td>
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MILESTONES:
- Complete second foreign language requirement.
- Complete COMM 2254; Required to earn C or higher.
- Complete 60 credit hours by end of term, including credit hours earned previous terms.

**15 Fall Credit Hours + 15 Spring Credit Hours = 30 Credit Hours**
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<td>COMM 3301</td>
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<td>Fundamentals of Newswriting</td>
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<td>COMM 3303 OR 4403</td>
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<td>Layout &amp; Design or Photojournalism</td>
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<td>Advanced Media Writing &amp; Reporting</td>
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<td>COMM 4454</td>
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<td>Must select COMM 3000-4000 level course(s) OR course(s) from approved list; Complete 6 credit hours if minor requires 15 credit hours; complete 3 credit hours if minor requires 18 credit hours.</td>
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<td>• COMPLETE 90 CREDIT HOURS BY END OF TERM, INCLUDING CREDIT HOURS EARNED PREVIOUS TERMS.</td>
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- For Mass Communications majors, 18-21 credit hours of COMM 3000-4000 level courses are required to apply toward major electives. Up to 6 credit hours of the 18-21 hours may be selected from the Approved Electives list, but this is not required. Majors may petition to apply alternative courses, including 1000-2000 level courses, as major electives that are relevant to their career aspirations by submitting requests and rationales to advisors. The Dean or Designee must approve all alternative courses.
- Additionally, students may take up to 6 hours of internship (COMM 4486) for credit in their degree program, and students may take up to 6 credit hours of 3000-4000 level practica courses in their degree program. However, students may not exceed a total of 9 credit hours of internship and practica combined.
**Ready**

**First Year**
- Talk with your professors and advisors about your education and career goals

**Middle Years**
- Complete core classes
- Meet with your faculty mentor at least once per semester
- Join and participate in the Society for Professional Journalists (SPJ) and Georgia College Press Association (GCPA)

**Last Year**
- Complete an internship
- Submit your coursework for internal Excellence Awards
- Submit your work for national awards

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**Set**

**First Year**
- Complete WIT and/or UTIP Training program.
- Become a mentee in the Alumni Mentor Programs
- Attend SCFM networking functions and alumni networking events
- Connect with on-campus media and/or student media organization

**Middle Years**
- Volunteer for The WEST GEORGIAN and/or WUTV
- Attend (or volunteer at) Media Day
- Engage with the Georgia College Press Association

**Last Year**
- The WEST GEORGIAN/WOLF Radio/WUTV Paid Leadership Roles.
- Attend a National Convention (e.g., MEDIA FEST, Georgia Press Institute)

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**Go**

**First Year**
- Explore diversity, equity, and inclusion resources and opportunities across campus.
- Check out the education abroad office.

**Middle Years**
- In a student organization? Suggest you all complete an implicit bias workshop.
- Consider a study abroad program.
- Check out students’ stories of their experiences

**Last Year**
- Assess your cultural competency
- Consider working abroad and research visa regulations
- Explore practices of creating more inclusive careers

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**Find Your Place**

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**Broaden Your Perspectives**

**First Year**
- Visit Wolves Vote to learn about the voting process and registration
- Consider volunteering for a campaign or organization in your community

**Middle Years**
- Complete an internship in your field
- Consider a summer or part-time job
- Ask your department about networking opportunities with alumni

**Last Year**
- Ask for advice from professionals in your field of interest
- Explore career shadowing opportunities

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**Connect Off-Campus**

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**Take Care of Yourself**

**First Year**
- Visit the UWG Wellness Hub to find all the resources available to you!
- Visit Health Services
- Get fit! Visit URec to see all your options.
- Visit the Center for Economic and Financial Literacy

**Middle Years**
- Take a fitness class, climb the rock wall, or join an intramural team
- Consider whether counseling is right for you: take a mental health screening

**Last Year**
- Explore a farmer’s market for fresh produce
- Develop a post-graduation exercise plan
- Explore your loan repayment options and complete your exit counseling.

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**Pave Your Path**

**First Year**
- Complete a self-assessment to see what careers and majors are right for you
- Visit Career Services
- Create your profile on Handshake
- Consider applying for an on-campus job

**Middle Years**
- Draft your resume and attend a resume blitz
- Learn about how to network on social media and update your Handshake profile
- Draft your personal statement
- Visit the graduate school to find out about graduate programs and admission requirements

**Last Year**
- Request references from professors and supervisors
- Draft your resume cover letter and personal statement and revise it with career services
- Attend business fairs and career fairs at UWG and across the state.
- Attend an interview workshop
- Apply for graduate programs
CAREERS
WHERE CAN YOU GO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Broadcast Journalist
- Editorial Assistant
- Magazine Features Editor
- Magazine Journalist
- Newspaper Journalist
- Political Risk Analyst
- Publishing Copy Editor
- Proofreader
- Web Content Manager
- Writer