ABOUT THE MAJOR

Digital Media & Entertainment engages students in courses that build knowledge and skills in traditional electronic and emerging digital media. Students explore historical, theoretical, and structural concepts of programming, management, and production of informational and entertainment radio, television, and online content to serve today's multicultural society. Students learn the art and science of successful storytelling, and create and produce original content for multiple digital media platforms. Students gain hands-on experience early on and throughout their tenure with WUTV and WOLF Radio.

ABOUT THIS MAP

This program map is intended ONLY as a guide for students to plan their course of study. It does NOT replace any information in the Undergraduate Catalog, which is the official guide for completing degree requirements. Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UWG, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

WHERE CAN YOU GO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Audio Specialist
- Brand Strategist
- Content Manager
- Graphic Designer
- Motion Graphics Designer
- Paid Search Specialist
- Social Media Specialist
- User Experience (UX) Designer
- Video Editor
- Web Developer

ADD A CERTIFICATE

- Advertising
- Arts Management
- Data Analytics

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VISIT WOLFWATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION.



HAVE A QUESTION? CHECK IN WITH YOUR ADVISOR!

HONORS COLLEGE

Consider joining if you have an Overall GPA of 3.2 and earned 15 college credit hours!



MASS COMMUNICATIONS

DIGITAL MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT TRACK

Bachelor of Science

CORE CREDIT HOURS

45

MAJOR CREDIT HOURS

15

ELECTIVE CREDIT HOURS

TERM 1: FALL

C1: ENGL 1101 3 CREDIT HOURS English Composition I **S1:** HIST 1111 OR 1112 3 CREDIT HOURS **12:** XIDS 2002 2 CREDIT HOURS (Recommended) First-Year Seminar

3 CREDIT HOURS **A1: HUMANITIES**

4 CREDIT HOURS T1: SCIENCE + LAB

MILESTONE:

• COMPLETE ENGL 1101 - ENGLISH COMPOSITION I; REQUIRED TO EARN C OR HIGHER.

TERM 2: SPRING

3 CREDIT HOURS **C2:** ENGL 1102 **English Composition II** M: MATH 1401/1001/1111 Elementary Statistics, Quantitative Skills & Reasoning, or College Algebra 3 CREDIT HOURS F: COMM 1110 Public Speaking 3 CREDIT HOURS P1: HIST 2111 OR 2112 **US History** 3 CREDIT HOURS T2: NON-LAB SCIENCE • COMPLETE ENGL 1102 - ENGLISH COMPOSITION II: REQUIRED TO EARN C OR HIGHER. • COMPLETE COMM 1110 – PUBLIC SPEAKING; 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

• Talk with your professors and advisors about your education and career goals.

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Complete WIT and/or UTIP Training program. FIND YOUR PLACE
 - 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.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

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

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

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

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- 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 Education and Financial Literacy.

PAVE YOUR

- Complete a self-assessment to see what careers and majors are right for you.
- Visit Office of Career and Graduate School
- Create your profile on Handshake. Consider applying for an on-campus job.

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TERM 1: FALL

F: COMM 1154 Introduction to Mass Communications	3 CREDIT HOURS
F: FOREIGN LANGUAGE Foreign Language 1000-2000	3 CREDIT HOURS
A2: HUMANITIES Any Option EXCEPT COMM 1154	3 CREDIT HOURS
I1: ORAL COMMUNICATION Any Option EXCEPT COMM 1110	3 CREDIT HOURS
D2: STEM COURSE	3 CREDIT HOURS
MILESTONES:	

- COMPLETE FIRST FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT.
- COMPLETE COMM 1154 INTRODUCTION TO MASS COMMUNICATIONS; REQUIRED TO EARN C OR HIGHER.

TERM 2: SPRING

3 CREDIT HOURS

American Government	
F: FOREIGN LANGUAGE Foreign Language 1000-2000	3 CREDIT HOURS
F: COMM 2254 Media Ethics	3 CREDIT HOURS
S2: SOCIAL SCIENCE	3 CREDIT HOURS
F: HUMANITIES OR SOCIAL SCIENCE	3 CREDIT HOURS
MII ESTONES:	

P2: POLS 1101

- COMPLETE SECOND FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT.
 COMPLETE COMM 2254 MEDIA ETHICS; REQUIRED TO EARN C OR HIGHER.
- COMPLETE 60 CREDIT HOURS BY END OF TERM, INCLUDING CREDIT HOURS EARNED PREVIOUS TERMS.

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CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Complete core IMPACTS classes.
- Meet with your faculty mentor at least once per

FIND YOUR PLACE

- Volunteer for WOLF Radio and/or WUTV.
- Attend (or volunteer at) Media Day.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

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

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Complete an internship in your field. • Consider a summer or part-time job.
- · Ask your department about networking opportunities with alumni.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

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

PAVE YOUR Path

- 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.

TERM 1: FALL

COMM 3350 3 CREDIT HOURS Digital Media Industries 3 CREDIT HOURS COMM 3351 OR 3352

Radio & Audio Production or Fundamentals of TV Production

3 CREDIT HOURS **COMM 3354** Digital Social Media & Society

ELECTIVE Must select COMM 3000-4000 level courses or courses from approved list

3 CREDIT HOURS MINOR COURSE

MILESTONES:

- COMPLETE COMM 3350 DIGITAL MEDIA INDUSTRIES.
- COMPLETE COMM 3351 RADIO & AUDIO PRODUCTION OR COMM 3352 - FUNDAMENTALS OF TELEVISION PRODUCTION.

TERM 2: SPRING

COMM 4456

3 CREDIT HOURS

3 CREDIT HOURS

Digital Content Creation

COMM 3355 OR ELECTIVE

3 CREDIT HOURS Media Programming & Management OR Course

COMM 3301, 3302, OR 3305

Fundamentals of Newswriting, Writing Across Media, or Short-Form Screenwriting & Analysis

ELECTIVE

3 CREDIT HOURS

Must select COMM 3000-4000 level course or course from approved list

MINOR COURSE

3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONES:

- IF UNABLE TO ENROLL IN COMM 3355 MEDIA PROGRAMMING AND MANAGEMENT IN YEAR 3. TAKE 6 **ELECTIVE COURSE CREDITS INSTEAD OF 3 CREDITS IN** YEAR 3, TERM 2.
- COMPLETE WRITING FOUNDATION COURSE: COMM 3301 OR 3302 OR 3305.
- COMPLETE 90 CREDIT HOURS BY END OF TERM, INCLUDING CREDIT HOURS EARNED PREVIOUS TERMS.

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 30 CREDIT HOURS

Additional Information:

• 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

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Complete core classes.
- Meet with your faculty mentor at least once per semester.

FIND YOUR PLACE

- - Attend (or volunteer at) Media Day.

• Volunteer for WOLF Radio and/or WUTV.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

• In a student organization? Suggest you all complete an implicit bias workshop.

• Consider a study abroad program. Check out students' stories of their experiences.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Complete an internship in your field. • Consider a summer or part-time job.
- · Ask your department about networking opportunities with alumni.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Take a fitness class, climb the rock wall, or join an intramural team.
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PAVE YOUR

- 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.
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TERM 1: FALL

COMM 4484

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3 CREDIT HOURS

Mass Communications Research Methods

COMM 4421R OR 4421T

Practicum: WOLF Internet Radio or WUTV

3 CREDIT HOURS

COMM 3355 OR ELECTIVES 3/6 GREDIT

Digital Media Programming & Management OR Elective Course(s). Must select COMM 3000-4000 level courses or courses from approved list

MINOR COURSE

3 CREDIT HOURS

- MILESTONES:
 IF COMM 3355 MEDIA PROGRAMMING AND MANAGEMENT NOT COMPLETED IN YEAR 3. COMPLETE COURSE IN YEAR 4, TERM1 WITH ONE ELECTIVE COURSE. IF COMM 3355 COMPLETED IN YEAR 3. COMPLETE 6 **CREDITS OF ELECTIVE COURSES.**
- COMPLETE COMM 4421R PRACTICUM: THE WOLF INTERNET RADIO OR COMM 4421T - PRACTICUM: WUTV.

TERM 2: SPRING

COMM 4454

3 CREDIT HOURS

Media Law

ELECTIVE(S)

3/6 CREDIT HOURS

Must select COMM 3000-4000 level 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.

MINOR COURSE

6/9 CREDIT HOURS

Complete 6 credit hours if minor requires 15 credit hours, complete 9 credit hours if minor requires 18 credit hours.

MILESTONES:

- COMPLETE A MAXIMUM OF 12 CREDIT HOURS OF COMM 3000-4000 LEVEL COURSES TO APPLY TOWARD 18-21 **CREDIT HOURS OF MAJOR ELECTIVES.**
- COMPLETE 120 CREDIT HOURS BY END OF TERM. INCLUDING CREDIT HOURS EARNED PREVIOUS TERMS.

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Additional Information:

 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

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- . Complete an internship.
- Submit your coursework for internal Excellence
- Submit your work for national awards.

• WOLF Radio/WUTV Paid Leadership Roles. • Attend a National Convention.

FIND YOUR PLACE

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

- Assess your cultural competency.
- Consider working abroad and research visa
- Explore practices of creating more inclusive

• Ask for advice from professionals in your field of CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS · Explore career shadowing opportunities

• Explore a farmer's market for fresh produce.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Develop a post-graduation exercise plan.
 - . Explore your loan repayment options and complete your exit counseling

PAVE YOUR Path

- · Request references from professors and • 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.