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.
Program Map

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

**YEAR 1**

**FALL**

A1: ENGL 1101  
English Composition I

B2: XIDS 2002  
(Recommended) First Year Seminar Course

E1: HIST 1111 OR 1112  
US History

C1: FINE ARTS  
3

D1: SCIENCE + LAB  
4

Milestones:
• Complete ENGL 1102; Required to earn C or higher.

**SPRING**

A1: ENGL 1102  
English Composition II

A2: MATH 1401, 1001, OR 1111  
Elementary Statistics, Quantitative Skills & Reasoning, or College Algebra

F: COMM 1110  
Public Speaking

E2: HIST 2111 OR 2112  
US History

D1: NON-LAB SCIENCE  
3

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.

**YEAR 2**

**FALL**

F: COMM 1154  
Intro to Mass Comm

F: FOREIGN LANGUAGE  
Foreign Language 1000-2000

D2: MATH, SCIENCE, & QUANTITATIVE TECHNOLOGY

C2: HUMANITIES  
Any Option EXCEPT COMM 1154

B1: ORAL COMMUNICATION  
Any Option EXCEPT COMM 1110

Milestones:
• Complete first foreign language requirement.
• Complete COMM 1154; Required to earn C or higher.

**SPRING**

E3: POLS 1101  
American Government

F: FOREIGN LANGUAGE  
Foreign Language 1000-2000

F: COMM 2254  
Media Ethics

E4: SOCIAL SCIENCE  
3

F: HUMANITIES OR SOCIAL SCIENCE  
3

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

Key:
- Color: Core Area and Credit Hours
- Color: Elective Course(s)
- Color: Minor Course(s)
### Year 3

#### Fall
- **COMM 3301**
  - Fundamentals of Newswriting
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM 3303 OR 4403**
  - Layout & Design or Photojournalism
  - 3 credit hours
- **Electives**
  - Must select COMM 3000-4000 level courses or courses from approved list
  - 6 credit hours
- **Minor Course**
  - 3 credit hours

**Milestones:**
- Complete COMM 3301

#### Spring
- **COMM 3352**
  - Fundamentals of TV Prod
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM 3302 OR 4402**
  - Public Affairs Reporting OR Feature Writing
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM 4484**
  - Mass Comm Research Methods
  - 3 credit hours
- **Elective**
  - Must select COMM 3000-4000 level course or course from approved list
  - 3 credit hours
- **Minor Course**
  - 3 credit hours

**Milestones:**
- Complete COMM 3352
- 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

### Year 4

#### Fall
- **COMM 4450**
  - Broadcast News Writing & Reporting
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM 4454**
  - Media Law
  - 3 credit hours
- **Electives**
  - Must select COMM 3000-4000 level courses or courses from approved list
  - 6 credit hours
- **Minor Course**
  - 3 credit hours

**Milestones:**
- Complete COMM 4450

#### Spring
- **COMM 4421N or 4421T**
  - Practicum: The West Georgian or WUTV
  - 3 credit hours
- **Electives**
  - 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.
  - 3/6 credit hours
- **Minor Course**
  - Complete 6 credit hours if minor requires 15 credit hours, complete 9 credit hours if minor requires 18 credit hours.
  - 6/9 credit hours

**Milestones:**
- Complete COMM 4421N or 4421T
- 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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* 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.
- 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**
- 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).
- Volunteer for The WEST GEORGIAN and/or WUTV.
- Attend (or volunteer at) Media Day.
- Engage with the Georgia College Press Association.

**LAST YEAR**
- Complete an internship.
- Submit your coursework for internal Excellence Awards.
- Submit your work for national awards.
- WOLF Radio/WUTV Paid Leadership Roles.
- Attend a National Convention: e.g. MEDIA FEST, Georgia Press Institute.

**SET**

**FIND YOUR PLACE**
- 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.
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**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 and Financial Literacy.

**PAVE YOUR PATH**
- 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.

**GO**

**CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK**
- 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).
- Complete an internship.
- Submit your coursework for internal Excellence Awards.
- Submit your work for national awards.

**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.
- 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.

**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.