

Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number _____ or Degree Plan(s) JOUR B.S.

State the requested change and reason. A memo may be attached if more space is necessary.

See attached changes to major requirements.

Indicate the requested change.

	Change to a Course	Dept./School ¹	College	Dean	TEC	UGEC	AUAC/Grad	Provost	President
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I	–	I	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	A	A	I	–	I	A	I
5.	Number of hours (lecture, lab, contact)	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I	–	I	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	I
9.	Course fee(s)	A	–	A	–	–	–	A	I
10.	From U to G <i>or</i> G to U	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
11.	Cross-list course	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
12.	Department of record	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
13.	Close a course	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
14.	New course (includes combining or splitting courses)	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I

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	Change to the University Requirements (All Campuses)	Dept./School¹	College	Dean	TEC	UGEC	AUAC/Grad	Provost	Faculty	President	Trustees
1.	University Requirements — Change course outcomes of an included course ²	A	A	A	–	A	–	A	–	A	–
2.	University Requirements — Add or drop a required course from the University Requirements ²	A	A	A	–	A	–	A	A	A	–
3.	University Requirements — Add or drop a course from a menu within the University Requirements ²	A	–	–	–	A	–	A	–	A	–
4.	University Requirements — Change hours within a menu in the University Requirements ²	A	A	A	–	A	–	A	A	A	–
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)										
1.	General Requirements for Bachelor's Degrees and Associate's Degrees	–	–	–	–	–	A	A	A	A	–
2.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	–	–	–	–	–	A	A	A	A	–
3.	Requirements for graduating with honors	–	–	–	–	–	A	A	A	A	–
	Change to a Degree Plan Proposed by Faculty or College										
5.	Educational Program — Revise ³	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
6.	Educational Program — Adopt/change admission requirements	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
7.	Educational Program — Add ³	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
8.	Educational Program — Discontinue	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
9.	GPA — Revise program-required GPAs	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
10.	Minor — Revise	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	–	I	–
11.	Minor — Add	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
12.	Minor — Discontinue	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
13.	Degree — Add	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
14.	Degree — Discontinue	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan Proposed By Provost										
15.	Educational Program — Discontinue	R	–	R	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
16.	Minor — Discontinue	R	–	R	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
17.	Degree — Discontinue	R	–	R	A	–	A	A	A	A	I

¹ When an academic unit does not have a council, the UGEC and/or UUAC will serve as its academic council, depending on the nature of the issue.

² Courses that satisfy ACU's University Requirements will normally have lower-level numbering, be free of prerequisites and co-requisites, appeal to more than one or two majors, and "not narrowly focus on those skills, techniques, and procedures specific to a particular occupation or profession" (SACS 2.7.3). Departments may request exceptions to the first three criteria.

³ For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible.

Department/School Chair(s)	
 _____ <i>Signature</i>	March 25, 2023 _____ <i>Approval date</i>
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

College Academic Council(s)	
 _____ <i>Signature</i>	Apr 12, 2023 _____ <i>Approval date</i>
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Dean(s)	
 _____ <i>Signature</i>	Apr 19, 2023 _____ <i>Approval date</i>
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Teacher Education Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

University General Education Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Abilene Undergraduate Academic Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Graduate Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Provost	
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Faculty	
_____ <i>Chair of Faculty Senate</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

President	
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Journalism, BS (JOUR)

University Requirements

Please see the [University Requirements](#) section of this catalog.

Major Requirements

Media Studies

- [JMC 100 - Media Issues](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- [JMC 302 - Introduction to Race and Media](#) Credit Hours: 1
- [JMC 303 - Colloquium in Race and Media](#) Credit Hours: 1 (twice)
- [JMC 488 - Communication Law](#) Credit Hours: 3 (writing-intensive & capstone course)
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- *Hours may also fulfill university requirements and are not included in total major hours

Total: 6 Credit Hours

Digital Media

- [JMC 165 - Media Maker I](#) Credit Hours: 3
- ~~[JMC 166 - Media Maker II](#) Credit Hours: 3~~
- [JMC 342 - Communication Design](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [JMC 351 - Web Publishing](#) Credit Hours: 3

Total: 9 ~~12~~ Credit Hours

Professional Practice

- [JMC 224 - Media Writing](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [JMC 321 - Student Media Lab](#) Credit Hours: 0 (two semesters required on departmental co-curricular news staff)
- [JMC 324 - Advanced Reporting](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [JMC 338 - Broadcast News and Sports](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [JMC 341 - Editing and Content Management](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [JMC 441 - Topics in Journalism](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [JMC 449 - Opinion Writing](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [JMC 495 - JMC Internship](#) Credit Hours: 1 (capstone course)

Choose 12 9 hours from the following:

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- [JMC 111 - Sports Announcing](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 166 - Media Maker II](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 233 - Photography](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 261 - Television Production](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 265 - Film Production](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 364 - Media and Religion](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 367 - Social Media](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 441 - Topics in Journalism](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 450 - Feature Writing](#) Credit Hours: 3
 - [JMC 465 - Documentary Practicum](#) Credit Hours: 3

Total: 31 28 Credit Hours

Support Field or Minor

Choose from any field. Requirements for a formal minor are set by each department and may vary in hours. A support field consists of 15 hours, of which 6 must be advanced selections.

- Lower selections Credit Hours: 9
- Advanced selections Credit Hours: 6

Total: 15 Credit Hours

Supplement for Major

- [POLS 225 - National Government](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- *or*
- [POLS 226 - States and Federal System](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- ~~4~~
- ~~*Hours may also fulfill university requirements and are not included in total major hours~~

Electives (assuming support field)

Minimum (maximum of 10 hours may be JMC) - ~~44~~10 Credit Hours

Total Major Hours: ~~72~~74

Other Graduation Requirements

Minimum GPA in major: 2.00

Minimum GPA for graduation: 2.25

Minimum number of hours outside JMC: 72

Minimum advanced hours: 33

Minimum total hours: 128

*Courses numbered 0** do not count in Minimum hours required for degree.*

JOUR, BS- CURRENT	72	JOUR, BS- REVISED	74	
GENERAL EDUCATION	56	GENERAL EDUCATION	54	
TOTAL	128	TOTAL	128	
MEDIA STUDIES	6	MEDIA STUDIES	6	
JMC 100: Media Issues (3*)	0	JMC 100: Media Issues (3*)	0	
JMC 302: Intro to Race & Media	1	JMC 302: Intro to Race & Media	1	
JMC 303: Colloquy in Race & Media	2	JMC 303: Colloquy in Race & Media	2	
JMC 488: Communication Law	3	JMC 488: Communication Law	3	
DIGITAL MEDIA	12	DIGITAL MEDIA	9	
JMC 165: Media Maker I	3	JMC 165: Media Maker I	3	
JMC 165: Media Maker II	3	JMC 165: Media Maker II	3	moved to menu
JMC 342: Communication Design	3	JMC 342: Communication Design	3	
JMC 351: Web Publishing	3	JMC 351: Web Publishing	3	
PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE	28	PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE	31	
JMC 224: Media Writing	3	JMC 224: Media Writing	3	
JMC 321: Student Media Lab (2 sem.)	0	JMC 321: Student Media Lab (2 sem.)	0	
JMC 324: Advanced Reporting	3	JMC 324: Advanced Reporting	3	
JMC 338: Broadcast News and Sports	3	JMC 338: Broadcast News and Sports	3	
JMC 341: Editing and Cont. Management	3	JMC 341: Editing and Cont. Management	3	
JMC 441: Topics in Journalism	3	JMC 441: Topics in Journalism	3	
JMC 449: Opinion Writing	3	JMC 449: Opinion Writing	3	
JMC 495: JMC Internship	1	JMC 495: JMC Internship	1	
Choose 3:	9	Choose 4:	12	
JMC 111: Sports Announcing	3	JMC 111: Sports Announcing	3	
JMC 233: Photography	3	JMC 165: Media Maker II	3	
JMC 261: Television Production	3	JMC 233: Photography	3	
JMC 265: Film Production	3	JMC 261: Television Production	3	
JMC 364: Media and Religion	3	JMC 265: Film Production	3	
JMC 367: Social Media	3	JMC 364: Media and Religion	3	
JMC 441: Topics in Journalism	3	JMC 367: Social Media	3	
JMC 450: Feature Writing	3	JMC 441: Topics in Journalism	3	
JMC 465: Documentary Practicum	3	JMC 450: Feature Writing	3	
		JMC 465: Documentary Practicum	3	
SUPPLEMENTAL MENU	3	SUPPLEMENTAL MENU	3	
POLS 225: National Government *	3	POLS 225: National Government *	3	
or		or		
POLS 226: States and Federal System	3	POLS 226: States and Federal System *	3	
SUPPORT FIELD / MINOR	15	SUPPORT FIELD / MINOR	15	
ELECTIVES	11	ELECTIVES	10	
*Hours may also fulfill university requirements and are not included in total major hours				