

Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Media Studies

The following is presented as an articulation agreement between Prairie State College (PSC) and Governors State University (GSU) for the Media Studies degree program based on the current catalogs of both schools. The student would receive an Associate of Arts (AA) degree from PSC and a Bachelors of Arts (BA) degree in Media Studies from GSU.

I. TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (37-38 Hours)

(Refer to the AA/AS Degree Guidelines for a list of courses in Areas B through E)

Area A: Communications (9 hours)

- ENG 101 - Composition I (3)
- ENG 102 - Composition II (3)
- COMM 101 - Principles of Communication (3)

Area B: Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours)

- ENG 256 - Film and Literature (3) (recommended)
- Fine Arts Course (3)*
- Humanities Course (3)*

Area C: Mathematics (3 hours)

- IAI Mathematics Course (3)*

Area D: Physical and Life Sciences (7-8 hours)

Select one life science course and one physical science course. One course must have a lab.

- Life Science Course (3-4)*
- Physical Science Course (3-4)*

Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)

- Social and Behavioral Science Courses from at least two different disciplines (9)*

II. AREA OF CONCENTRATION/LOWER-DIVISION MAJOR COURSES (9 Hours)

- JRNLM 101 - Introduction to Journalism (3) (recommended)
- COMM 108 - Interpersonal Communication (3) (recommended)
- COMM 111 - Introduction to Mass Communication (3) (recommended)

III. ELECTIVES (15-16 Hours)

GSU's Media Studies program suggests classes in Foreign Languages and non-western culture courses. Additional communications courses can be taken.

REQUIRED A.A. DEGREE PROGRAM TOTAL: 62 Hours

* Refer to the PSC AA/AS guidelines for a list of course choices in Section I and III.

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IV. TO BE COMPLETED AT GSU (58 HOURS)

Core Courses (33 Hours)

- COMS 3160 - Public Address & Rhetorical Skills (3)
- COMS 4110 - Communication Research (3)
- COMS 4850 - Communication Ethics (3)
- MST 2100 - Intro to Media Production (3)
- MST 2101 - Introduction to Media Studies (3)
- MST 2102 - Digital Video Writing (3)
- MST 3099 - Global Media Literacy (3)
- MST 4991 - Senior Seminar (3)

AND CHOOSE ONE (Discipline Focused Comparative Studies)

- MST 2110 - Media Forms (3)
- MST 2120 - Media Theory (3)
- MST 2130 - Media Culture and Innovation (3)
- MST 3750 - Media Storytelling (3)

AND CHOOSE ONE (Interdisciplinary Method/ Approach)

- ANTH 3800 - Visual Anthropology (3)
- ART 4565 - 3D Modeling (3)
- MCOM 3740 - Media Prod Tech: Field & Studio (3)
- MST 3104 - Playing Games (3)
- MST 3214 - Chicagoland Media (3)

AND CHOOSE ONE (Advanced Writing)

- ENGL 4100 - Advanced Composition (3)
- ENGL 4626 - Technical Writing I (3)
- MST 4130 - Writing for Multimedia (3)

Communication Concentration (15-25 hours)

Select one of the following three concentrations:

- Media Industry and Production***
- Networking and Participatory Culture***
- Global Media and Information Flow***

Media Studies Electives (6 hours)

Select six hours of communication courses with advisor approval.

Electives (0-4 hours)

Minimum Required for the BA in Media Studies: 120 Hours

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