

# Media and Screen Studies and Journalism, BA (Boston)

A Bachelor of Arts in Media and Screen Studies and Journalism is designed for the student who is interested in pursuing a career as a journalist specializing in the film industry.

## Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

## Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

## BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

## NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

NUpath requirements Creative Expression/Innovation (EI), Interpreting Culture (IC), Societies and Institutions (SI), Difference and Diversity (DD), and Ethical Reasoning (ER) are met through the major course requirements.

NUpath requirement Analyzing and Using Data (AD) may be met through electives in the major.

NUpath requirements Natural and Designed World (ND) and Formal and Quantitative Reasoning (FQ) must be met through general electives.

## Media and Screen Studies Requirements

| Code                                                | Title                           | Hours |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Media and Screen Studies Common Requirements</b> |                                 |       |
| MSCR 1220                                           | Media, Culture, and Society     | 4     |
| MSCR 1320                                           | Media and Social Change         | 4     |
| or MSCR 1420                                        | Media History                   |       |
| <b>Foundation Course</b>                            |                                 |       |
| Complete one of the following:                      |                                 | 4     |
| MSCR 1230                                           | Introduction to Film Production |       |
| MSCR 2220                                           | Understanding Media             |       |
| <b>Diversity or Globalization Course</b>            |                                 |       |
| Complete one of the following:                      |                                 | 4     |
| MSCR 2325                                           | Global Media                    |       |
| MSCR 2505                                           | Digital Feminisms               |       |
| MSCR 3392                                           | Gender and Film                 |       |
| MSCR 3437                                           | Media and Identity              |       |
| <b>Writing-Intensive</b>                            |                                 |       |
| Complete two of the following:                      |                                 | 8     |
| MSCR 2600                                           | Cloud, Closet, (Drop)Box        |       |
| MSCR 3330                                           | Documentary Film Ethics         |       |
| MSCR 3420                                           | Digital Media Culture           |       |
| MSCR 3422                                           | Media Audiences                 |       |
| MSCR 3600                                           | Film Theory                     |       |
| MSCR 3700                                           | Queer Media                     |       |
| MSCR 4208                                           | TV History                      |       |

## Media and Screen Studies Electives

| Code                                                                          | Title                                             | Hours |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Complete THREE courses that have not been used to satisfy other requirements: |                                                   | 12    |
| Media and Screen Studies courses, from the range MSCR 1200 - MSCR 4999        |                                                   |       |
| ARTD 2380<br>and ARTD 2381                                                    | Video Basics<br>and Video Tools                   |       |
| ARTD 3480                                                                     | Video: Sound and Image                            |       |
| ARTD 3485                                                                     | Experimental Video                                |       |
| COMM 1450                                                                     | Sound Production for Digital Media                |       |
| COMM 2550                                                                     | Television Field Production                       |       |
| COMM 2655                                                                     | Television Studio Production                      |       |
| COMM 3655                                                                     | Digital Editing for TV                            |       |
| COMM 3750                                                                     | Special Effects and Postproduction for Television |       |

## Journalism Requirements

| Code                                           | Title                                                                                                                | Hours |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Journalism Foundations</b>                  |                                                                                                                      |       |
| JRNL 1101<br>and JRNL 1102                     | Journalism 1: Fundamentals of Reporting and Writing<br>and Journalist's Toolbox (A grade of C or higher is required) | 5     |
| JRNL 1150                                      | Understanding Today's News                                                                                           | 4     |
| JRNL 2201                                      | Journalism 2: Intermediate Reporting (A grade of C or higher is required)                                            | 4     |
| <b>Journalism and Advanced Writing</b>         |                                                                                                                      |       |
| JRNL 2301                                      | Visual Storytelling in Journalism (A grade of C or higher is required)                                               | 4     |
| <b>Television News</b>                         |                                                                                                                      |       |
| JRNL 5314                                      | Video News Reporting and Producing                                                                                   | 4     |
| <b>Ethics and Issues</b>                       |                                                                                                                      |       |
| JRNL 4650                                      | Ethics and Diversity in the News Media                                                                               | 4     |
| <b>Journalism Electives</b>                    |                                                                                                                      |       |
| Complete three courses in the following range: |                                                                                                                      | 12    |
| JRNL 2000–JRNL 5999                            |                                                                                                                      |       |

## Integrative Requirement

The following course also counts toward the media and screen studies requirements above.

| Code                      | Title                             | Hours |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Integrative Course</b> |                                   |       |
| MSCR 4623                 | Media and Screen Studies Capstone | 4     |

## Media and Screen Studies Grade Requirement

No more than two grades below a C in media and screen studies courses may be used to satisfy degree requirements.

## Program Requirement

129 total semester hours required

## Plan of Study

### Sample Four Years, Two Co-ops Spring/Summer First Half

| Year 1                 |       |                              |       |                    |       |                    |       |
|------------------------|-------|------------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| Fall                   | Hours | Spring                       | Hours | Summer 1           | Hours | Summer 2           | Hours |
| JRNL 1150              |       | 4 JRNL 1101<br>and JRNL 1102 |       | 5 Foreign language |       | 4 Foreign language | 4     |
| ENGW 1111              |       | 4 MSCR 1230 or 2220          |       | 4 Elective         |       | 4 Elective         | 4     |
| MSCR 1000 or JRNL 1000 |       | 1 MSCR 1320 or 1420          |       | 4                  |       |                    |       |
| MSCR 1220              |       | 4 EEAM 2000                  |       | 1                  |       |                    |       |
| Elective               |       | 4 Foreign language           |       | 4                  |       |                    |       |
| 17                     |       | 18                           |       | 8                  |       | 8                  |       |

| Fall                            | Hours | Spring  | Hours | Summer 1 | Hours | Summer 2   | Hours |
|---------------------------------|-------|---------|-------|----------|-------|------------|-------|
| JRNL 2201                       |       | 4 Co-op |       | 0 Co-op  |       | 0 Elective | 4     |
| Journalism elective 1           |       | 4       |       |          |       | Elective   | 4     |
| MSCR diversity or globalization |       | 4       |       |          |       |            |       |
| MSCR elective 1                 |       | 4       |       |          |       |            |       |
|                                 | 16    |         |       | 0        |       | 0          | 8     |

| Fall                     | Hours | Spring  | Hours | Summer 1 | Hours | Summer 2   | Hours |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|-------|----------|-------|------------|-------|
| JRNL 2301                |       | 4 Co-op |       | 0 Co-op  |       | 0 Elective | 4     |
| JRNL 5314                |       | 4       |       |          |       | Elective   | 4     |
| MSCR writing intensive 1 |       | 4       |       |          |       |            |       |
| Elective                 |       | 4       |       |          |       |            |       |
|                          |       | 16      |       | 0        |       | 0          | 8     |

| Fall                     | Hours | Spring                  | Hours |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| JRNL 4650                |       | 4 MSCR 4623             | 4     |
| Journalism elective 2    |       | 4 MSCR elective 3       | 4     |
| MSCR elective 2          |       | 4 Journalism elective 3 | 4     |
| MSCR writing intensive 2 |       | 4 Elective              | 4     |
|                          | 16    |                         | 16    |

Total Hours: 131