Texas Education Code Section 61.822 requires that Texas public institutions facilitate the transferability of lower-division course credit through the Core Curriculum. The Core Curriculum contains nine Foundational Component Areas (42 hours), which every Texas State student must satisfy to graduate.

Texas State is a participant in the *Texas Common Course Numbering System (TCCNS)*. Use the TCCNS to find courses you can take at your institution to ensure transfer of credit toward freshman- and sophomore-level degree requirements at Texas State.

010 Communication 6 required hours *(see Recommended Core Curriculum Choices below)*
020 Mathematics 3 required hours *(see Recommended Core Curriculum Choices below)*
030 Life and Physical Sciences 6 required hours
040 Language, Philosophy & Culture 3 required hours
050 Creative Arts 3 required hours
060 American History 6 required hours
070 Government/Political Science 6 required hours
080 Social and Behavioral Sciences 3 required hours
090 Component Area Option 6 required hours *(see Recommended Core Curriculum Choices below)*

*Students will receive Core credit at Texas State for any course successfully completed in the Core Curriculum of the sending institution.*

**RECOMMENDED CORE CURRICULUM CHOICES FOR THE BS in ELECT MEDIA & MASS COMM**
The BS in Electronic Media and Mass Communication requires specific courses for degree completion, and with wise planning, you may take courses that satisfy both the Core Curriculum and the BS requirements:

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<td>010 Communication ENG 1301 &amp; 1302</td>
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**ADDITIONAL LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

| COMM 1307 | MC 1301 |
| COMM 2311 | MC 1313 |
| --- | Any 3 hours of Core 090 |

The School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Texas State will accept up to 13 hours of coursework from the approved Field of Study in Communication with the Common Core Numbering Prefix of COMM.

**Admittance Requirements - School of Journalism and Mass Communication:**

Any student admitted to Texas State may declare and be admitted to the program under a temporary status called pre-mass communication. Once a student has accumulated at least thirty credit hours and meets the
requirements outlined below, the student will be admitted to the school in full-major status. Students who fail to meet these requirements will not be admitted to the major.

1. An overall GPA of at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
2. A grade of a “C” or higher in the following courses or their equivalents:

**COURSE LIST**

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¹ Note: Or a score of 70 or higher on the school's Punctuation, Usage and Grammar (PUG) test.

**UNIVERSITY ADMISSION:**

1. Submit a completed [application](#), all supporting documents, including an official high school transcript and transcript(s) from every institution attended and application fee, to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions by the stated [Priority Date](#).

2. For students with **fewer than 30 transferable hours**: minimum 2.0 GPA in all transferable coursework and meet [freshman admission standards](#).

   For students with **more than 30 transferable hours**: minimum 2.25 GPA in all transferable coursework, eligible to return to all previous institutions, and be at least one semester out of high school.

Students transferring to Texas State from a community college may elect to follow the [Texas State undergraduate catalog](#) that was in effect at the time they enrolled at their community college. Students may also, with the approval of their College Dean, follow a subsequent catalog. Students are reminded to refer to their designated catalog for information related to University requirements for curriculum, graduation, probation/suspension, and other general information.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:**

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*Texas State reserves the right to withdraw courses at any time, to change its fees or tuition, calendar, curriculum, degree requirements, graduation procedures, and any other requirements affecting students. Changes will become effective whenever authorities determine and will apply to both prospective students and those already enrolled.*

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