

School of Journalism and Mass Communication
Curriculum Changes effective fall 2012

Dear Mass Communication pre-majors and majors:

Effective fall 2012 there will be changes made to some major curriculum. While some of these changes were made in preparation for the proposed addition of the B.S. degree (we will not know if our B.S. degree proposals are approved until late May) they still affect students in our current B.A. in Mass Communication-Electronic Media and B.A. in Mass Communication-Journalism majors. These changes do not affect our Mass Communication-Advertising, Mass Communication-Public Relations or Mass Communication (General) majors.

Mass Communication-Electronic Media

Effective fall 2012 MC 3374 will no longer be offered. Students in the Mass Communication-Electronic Media major who have already completed or will have completed MC 3374 by the fall 2012 semester do not have to take any action. Those who will not have credit for MC 3374 before the fall 2012 semester will take any three hour advanced (33**43**) MC course in place of MC 3374.

Mass Communication-Journalism Major

Effective fall 2012 MC 3320 and 3374 will no longer be offered. For degree completion three new courses will be added to the curriculum as noted below.

MC 3321-News Writing and Reporting 1 (prerequisite MC 1313)

MC 4321-News Writing and Reporting 2 (prerequisite MC 3321)

MC 4386-Journalsim Project (prerequisite MC 4321)

MC 4386 will not be offered fall 2012

- If you are a spring 2012 or summer 2012 candidate this change will have no affect on you.
- If you are a fall 2012 candidate and have or will have credit for MC 3320 **and** MC 3374 before the fall 2012 semester this change will not affect you. The three-hour MC advanced elective in your current degree plan will substitute for MC 4386 since the course isn't being offered this fall.

- If you are a fall 2012 candidate and have or will have credit for MC 3374, **but not** MC 3320 before the fall semester then you will need to take MC 4321 (in place of 3320) for the fall 2012 semester. The three-hour MC advanced elective in your current degree plan will substitute for MC 4386 since the course isn't being offered this fall. You will need clearance for MC 4321 so please email your request along with your name and student id# to hb05@txstate.edu (Harry Bowers) or mh67@txstate.edu (Kathleen Ransleben).
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- If you are a fall 2012 candidate and have not taken or will not have credit for MC 3374 **and** MC 3320, but will have full-major status and credit for MC 1313 before the fall 2012 semester you will need to enroll for MC 3321 (in place of 3374) and MC 4321 (in place of MC 3320) for the fall 2012 semester. The three-hour MC advanced elective in your current degree plan will substitute for MC 4386 since the course isn't being offered this fall. While the School of Journalism and Mass Communication vigorously enforces prerequisites we will allow students to take MC 3321 and 4321 together during the fall 2012 semester while we transition into the new curriculum. You will need clearance for MC 3321 and MC 4321 so please email your request along with your name and student id# to hb05@txstate.edu (Harry Bowers) or mh67@txstate.edu (Kathleen Ransleben).
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