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.

**RECOMMENDED CORE CURRICULUM CHOICES FOR THE BS in JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATION**

The BS in Journalism 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 specific degree requirements:

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**ADDITIONAL LOWER-DIVISION BS REQUIREMENTS**

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<td>010 Communication</td>
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The school of Journalism and Mass Communication at Texas State will accept up to 13 hours of course work from the approved Field of Study in Communication with a Common Core Numbering Prefix of COMM.
SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION ADMITTANCE REQUIREMENTS:

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:

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<td>COMM 1310</td>
<td>Fundamentals of Human Communication</td>
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<td>MC 1100B</td>
<td>Grammar for Journalists¹</td>
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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. Students with 1-29 transferable hours must have a minimum 2.0 GPA in all transferable course work and meet freshman admission standards. Students with 30 or more transferable hours must have a minimum 2.25 GPA in all transferable course work. All students must be eligible to return to all previous institutions and be at least one full 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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