Transfer Guide
Bachelor of Science in Journalism

Hutchinson Community College

Since 1903, we've been teaching journalism. We've also been teaching students to be curious, questioning, hard-working and ethical. KU's William Allen White School of Journalism and Mass Communications was founded on traditional values of journalism education – writing and editing. We're known for that. We also are recognized as one of the most innovative schools in the country. Our curriculum builds on our past and prepares graduates for the challenges of the multimedia world.

At the Lawrence campus, the KU School of Journalism offers a Bachelor of Science in Journalism degree, with two unique track options: News and Information, and Strategic Communication. Please note, the Bachelor of Science in Journalism program is offered in a traditional classroom format, with few options for evening/online courses.

This transfer guide provides important information and a sample four-semester plan for a student starting at Hutchinson Community College and transferring to KU for the remaining coursework. However, each student's background and goals are unique. Thus we recommend ongoing communication with an advisor in the KU School of Journalism. See contact information at the bottom of this page.

School of Journalism Admission Requirements

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Step One: Admission to the University of Kansas
All incoming students must first gain admission to the University of Kansas. Admission applications to the University of Kansas may be completed online at www.admissions.ku.edu. Gaining admission to the University of Kansas requires the submission of official college transcripts from all previously attended colleges/universities. Please note that indicating "News & Information Major" or "Strategic Communication Major" on your application to KU does not grant you entry to the KU School of Journalism. For scholarship consideration, we encourage you to apply to KU by February 1st prior to the fall/summer semester or November 1st prior to the spring semester you plan to transfer to KU.

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Step Two: Admission to the KU School of Journalism
Applications who indicated a "News & Information Major" or "Strategic Communication Major" are directly sent to the J-School. Transfer students are eligible to apply during the semester they will complete the minimum requirements to apply (see below). In the instance that one or more of the pre-admission criteria has not been completed before transferring to KU, that student will be considered a Pre-Journalism student in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences until they meet the minimum requirements to apply.

Requirements to Apply to the KU School of Journalism:
Transfer students are eligible to apply during the semester they will complete the minimum application requirements:
1. Complete/enroll in 24 or more transferable credit hours with a 2.5 GPA or higher **and**
2. Complete/enroll in JOUR 101 (or equivalent) by application period
3. Earn a C or higher in JOUR 101 (if applying while enrolled in JOUR 101, admission is rescinded if a C or higher is not earned)

Admission is competitive. If the School must set an admissions quota, students with the highest grade-point average will be accepted.

Additional Notes for Transfer Students:
- Transfer credits with earned grades of D+ and below will not satisfy School of Journalism requirements. Transfer credits with earned grades of D+ and below will still be included in the GPAs for School of Journalism admission consideration.
- Course repeat and academic forgiveness/renewal policies that apply at other colleges and universities do not transfer to KU. All grades for academically forgiven courses will be included in the GPAs for School of Journalism admission consideration.
- Only 12 transfer journalism hours can be applied to the 42 hour of journalism needed to graduate.
- A bachelor's degree must include 120 completed credit hours. A student may apply a maximum of 64 credit hours of community college coursework to a KU degree. Students with more than 64 credit hours of community college coursework cannot apply the additional hours toward the 120 hour requirement.

First Semester

Media and Society, JOUR 101	JL 101	☐
College Algebra, MATH 101 (GE 1.2)	MA 106	☐
Composition, ENGL 101 (GE 2.1)	EN 100	☐
1st Semester Language or Elective*	SP 101	☐

Second Semester

Speaker Audience Communication, COMS 130 (GE 2.2)	SH 101	☐
GE 3H Core Requirement	Select Approved GE 3H Course	☐
2nd Semester Language or Elective*	SP 102	☐
Business and Leadership*	EC 101	☐

Third Semester

AE 4.1 Core Requirement	Select Approved AE 4.1 Course	☐
Natural Science + Lab (GE3N+LFE)	Select Approved GE 3N+Lab Course	☐
3rd Semester Language or Elective*	SP 105	☐
Historical Context*	HI 102	☐

Fourth Semester

AE 4.2 Core Requirement	Select Approved AE 4.2 Course	☐
Quantitative Literacy*, Statistics, MATH S365	MA 108	☐
4th semester language or Elective*	Select Any Transferable Course*	☐
Elective*	Select Any Transferable Course*	☐

*It is recommended that general electives be used to complete prerequisites, explore interests or minor courses, as well as complete an Associate's Degree. The Journalism degree requires a Business and Leadership, Historical Context, and Quantitative Literacy course. You may choose a course that transfers from your college to KU as equivalent to one of the listed courses by utilizing CredTran. If completing an Associate's Degree be sure to select courses that fulfill requirements at both institutions. Spanish is provided as an example.

A Bachelor Degree requires 45 upper-level hours. Transfer courses may be matched to a course of opposite level at KU, but the level of credit is defined by the originating institution. (All community college courses are lower level.) It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer program is provided as a service and is updated annually. Degree requirements are subject to change.

View the most up-to-date listings of transferable courses at: http://credittransfer.ku.edu. You can search by specific KU Core goal or view many of the courses that transfer to KU. If a class is not listed contact transfercredit@ku.edu to inquire about transferability.

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