

# MEDIA STUDIES

- This worksheet is intended for supplemental use only. The University will use your Academic Requirements Report (ARR) to track your graduation requirements, including those for your major. Please continue to check your ARR for accuracy.
- If your ARR requires a correction, please submit an ARR Correction Form at [www.csusm.edu/academicadvising](http://www.csusm.edu/academicadvising)
- Your [Degree Planner](http://mycsusm.edu) (in [mycsusm.edu](http://mycsusm.edu)) will display the following requirements in the University’s recommended sequence.
- All courses used for the major and preparation for the major must be completed with a grade of C (2.0) or higher.
- All non-articulated courses MUST be reviewed and approved by a faculty advisor.
- A minimum of 18 units of upper-division units must be earned at CSUSM.
- Students may apply a maximum of 6 units of independent study (MDIA 499) or Internship (MDIA 495) toward the major.
- Students may count a maximum of 3 courses (typically, 9 units) of additional pertinent upper-division CSUSM elective coursework taken inside or outside the Communication department toward the Media Studies degree (see sample list below).
- A maximum of 6 upper-division MDIA and/or media-related electives may be applied toward a minor.
- Additional general elective courses may be required in order to satisfy the University's 120 overall unit requirement.
- Media Studies students are strongly advised to take MDIA 360 prior to or concurrently with other 300-level Media Studies courses and must take it prior to enrolling in 400-level courses.

## PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR (9 UNITS)

✓	Course	Units
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 100: Introduction to Communication	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 200: Argumentation and Dialogue	3

Choose one of the following:

- PSYC 220: Introductory Statistics in Psychology
- SOC 201: Introductory Statistics for the Social Sciences

✓	Course	Units
<input type="checkbox"/>		3

## LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (0-9 UNITS):

This requirement can be met in one of the following ways:

- a. Intermediate 200-level (3<sup>rd</sup> semester) language course with a grade of C or higher or CR.
- b. CSUSM Language Proficiency Exam demonstrating intermediate-level language proficiency.
- c. AP Language other than English Examination with a score of 3 or higher.
- d. IB Higher-Level Language A Literature Exam or Language A Language and Literature Exam with score of 4 or higher.
- e. CLEP with the following minimum score: French Level II: 59; German Level II: 60; Spanish Level II: 63.
- f. TOEFL or other CSUSM-approved English language exam as a condition for admission to CSUSM.
- g. Completion at least 3 full-time years at a high school or university where English was not the principal language of instruction.
- h. Intermediate-level ASL may fulfill this requirement; see [Catalog](#) for conditions.

✓	Proficiency met via:
<input type="checkbox"/>	

## INTERDISCIPLINARY SOCIAL SCIENCE REQUIREMENT (3 UNITS)

Choose an approved lower-division IDSS course from one the following disciplines: American Indian Studies, Anthropology, Border Studies, Environmental Studies, Ethnic Studies, Geography, Global Studies, Linguistics, Social Sciences, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies. This course may not double count with your major and must be in a discipline other than Media Studies.

✓	Course	Units
<input type="checkbox"/>		3

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## UPPER-DIVISION CORE COURSES (15 UNITS)

✓	Course	Units
<input type="checkbox"/>	MDIA 301 : Media Theory	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	MDIA 303: Histories of Media Technologies	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	MDIA 304: Global Media	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	MDIA 360: Mass Media and Society (*COMM 100)	3

Choose one of the following:

COMM 390: Research Methods and Design (\*COMM 100, 200, and junior or senior standing)

COMM 402: Rhetorical Criticism (\*COMM 100, 200, and junior or senior standing)

✓	Course	Units
<input type="checkbox"/>		3

## UPPER-DIVISION ELECTIVE COURSES (24 UNITS)

### Media Studies Electives (15 units):

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|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|--------------|
| MDIA 322 | MDIA 370  | MDIA 451 | MDIA 456 | MDIA 465  | MDIA 495*    |
| MDIA 365 | MDIA 403* | MDIA 452 | MDIA 460 | MDIA 466* | MDIA 499A-C* |
| MDIA 366 | MDIA 410  | MDIA 455 | MDIA 462 | MDIA 470  |              |

✓	Course	Units
<input type="checkbox"/>		3

### Other Media Studies-related Electives (9 units):

Select 9 units from the Media Studies Electives above and/or from other upper-division COMM or MDIA courses. Sample electives: AIS/SOC 350; AMD 306, 309, 311, 329, 404, 432, 433; CHEM 315; COMM 330, 355, 370, 410, 430, 435, 454, 460, 485\*; ECON 327\*; ENVS 325; FMST 300; ID 401C; LTWR 334A-D, 338; SOC 467\*. Other electives may also apply. Check with Media Studies Faculty Advisor for approval.

✓	Course	Units
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## BREADTH REQUIREMENT (3 UNITS):

Select an upper-division Social Science or interdisciplinary course (DD designated) outside of the major in a discipline other than Media Studies.

✓	Course	Units
<input type="checkbox"/>		3