

BACHELOR OF JOURNALISM (HONOURS)

At a Glance

Faculty

www.kpu.ca/arts (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/>)

Area of Study:

www.kpu.ca/arts/journalism (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/journalism/>)

Academic Level:

Undergraduate

Credential Granted:

Baccalaureate Degree (Honours)

Start Date:

Fall (September)

Spring (January)

Summer (May)

Intake Type:

- Open

Minimum Credits Required:

129

Curriculum Effective Date:

01-Sep-2018

Description

KPU's Bachelor of Journalism program is the only four-year journalism program in Metro Vancouver. Students use industry-standard software to produce journalism that draws on the full range of multimedia storytelling possibilities, including photography, audio, video, and data visualization. Students participate in academic study and practical training through seminars, labs, and real-world experience. The Journalism program prepares graduates for positions such as multimedia journalists, editors, web writers, and freelance journalists. Our grads also work as communications professionals in fields such as media relations, corporate communications, and public relations. The Bachelor of Journalism gives students valuable research and communication skills that can be used in many fields.

Communication Studies courses are also an important part of the program, including exploration of issues such as media law and ethics, media and diversity, and media and social change.

Faculty members in KPU's Journalism department include award-winning journalists with career experience and academic credentials. Many faculty members continue to work as journalists.

Requirements

Admission Requirements

The Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/admissions/english-proficiency-requirements/>), apply to this program.

Declaration Requirements

Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Arts Bachelor's degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:

- In good academic standing with the University
- Completion of a minimum of 18 credits of undergraduate coursework, including the following with a minimum grade of "C":
 - 3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level or higher
 - 6 credits at the 1100 level or higher in the Major area

Curricular Requirements

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree must complete all requirements in the Bachelor of Arts Framework (<https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az/arts/ba-degree-framework/>) in addition to their major or minor program requirements.

Journalism Major

Code	Title	Credits
1000 and 2000 Level		
INDG 1100	Introduction to Indigenous Studies	3
JRNL 1160	Introduction to Journalism	3
JRNL 1220	Citizen Journalism	3
JRNL 2120	Storytelling: Writing for Journalism	3
JRNL 2230	Multimedia Storytelling	3
JRNL 2240	Beyond the News: Feature Writing	3
JRNL 2360	Photojournalism	3
JRNL 2370	Podcasting and Audio Storytelling	3
Select 6 credits from courses in Communication (COMM) numbered 1100 through 2999		6
3000 and 4000 Level		
JRNL 3165	Data Visualization	3
JRNL 4270	Advanced Storytelling	3
Select 18 credits from courses in Journalism (JRNL) numbered 3000 through 4999		18
Select 6 credits from courses in Communications (COMM) numbered 3000 through 4999		6
Total Credits		60

Honours

In addition to the 120 credits required for the Bachelor of Journalism degree, Bachelor of Journalism Honours students must complete the following courses:

Code	Title	Credits
JRNL 4190	Directed Study Honours I - Research	3
JRNL 4290	Honours Thesis	3

JRNL 4295	Journalism Honours Seminar	3
Total Credits		9

Please see [kpu.ca/arts/journalism](http://www.kpu.ca/arts/journalism/) (<http://www.kpu.ca/arts/journalism/>) for further information regarding application deadlines and selection criteria. Note: Journalism Honours courses may not be offered each year.

Credential Awarded

Upon successful completion of the Honours program, students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Journalism (Honours)**.