# Journalism | Bachelor's Degree



	FIRST YEAR	MIDDLE YEARS	LAST YEARS
ADVANCE your academic journey	Meet with a <u>First Year Advisor</u> to develop your academic planning.  Embark on your first year by joining a community of learning in <u>TXST Society of Professional Journalists</u> .  Explore majors with a <u>MyMajors assessment</u> .  Take advantage of the <u>Student Learning Assistance Center</u> (Tutoring).	Meet with the College of Fine Arts and Communications Advising Center for questions about your major.  Explore external scholarship opportunities such as the Fulbright Scholarship to take your expertise to unique locations abroad.  Share your knowledge as a Peer Mentor or Tutor at SLAC.  Explore Campus Resources for academic and personal support.  Meet with a faculty mentor to select an undergraduate research opportunity.	advisor.  Explore next steps including a potential graduate degree.  Complement your degree with a micro credential.  Meet with a faculty mentor or peer advisor.
<b>EXPAND</b> your personal and social development	Review your degree plan for courses that include the Service-Learning Excellence program.  Expand your student experience by following Bobcat Update for the latest in student media coverage.  Increase your learning community by joining an SIMC student organization.  Be part of our Journalism and Mass Communications Living and Learning Community.	Sharpen your leadership by finding a space at the <u>University Star</u> or <u>KTSW 89.9 The Other Side of Radio</u> .  Consider the School of Journalism and Mass Communication's specially tailored <u>study abroad and study in America programs</u> led by faculty.  Discover <u>Global Online Learning Experiences</u> for courses with culturally dynamic perspectives  Participate in <u>The Big Event</u> to give back to the regional community.  Attend a <u>Nonprofit and Volunteer Fair</u> from <u>Student Involvement</u> to jump into meaningful service in TXST's community.	Complete a capstone project related to major.  Select a service activity through Student Involvement to give back to the area community.  Seek out a leadership role with the Leadership & Service program.  Attend a Student Government Senate meeting to contribute to the TXST community.  Attend financial literacy workshops (e.g., budgeting, student loans, taxes).
ENRICH your practical competence	Connect your schedule to the SJMC calendar each year to attend MassCommWeek and more.  Explore the TXST One Stop for more information about the scholarships provided to new and continuing students.  Attend an IDEA Center workshop to learn more about undergraduate research.	Take advantage of the activities and opportunities in the Media Innovation Lab.  Attend a conference related to your major (get recommendations from a faculty) or your student organization.  Review micro internship opportunities for professional development in which you learn and earn.	Learn about Global Career Accelerator options that give you experience with global companies and indemand tech skills.  Attend a professional conference, such as (department recommendation).  Deliver a presentation in a student conference, workshop, seminar or community organization.
ELEVATE your career and professional life	Complete your <u>Career Assessments</u> , such as Focus2. Create your <u>Handshake</u> profile. Create your <u>LinkedIn</u> profile and connect with colleagues and leader. Develop and review your <u>resume</u> with Career Services.	Develop an internship plan with <u>Career Services</u> or your academic department.  Report your internship offers to <u>Career Services</u> .  Build <u>Career &amp; Graduate School Fairs</u> into your schedule to ensure your connection maximum opportunities.  Prepare to <u>ace your job interviews</u> with Career Services or your academic department.	Develop a full-time employment or graduate school plan with <u>Career Services</u> .  Attend <u>employer info sessions</u> at Career Services.  Complete your First Destination Survey to share your post-graduation plans.  Identify faculty and professional references.

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#### **OUTCOMES**

#### Marketable Skills

Think critically

Analyze and solve problems

Communicate clearly and effectively

Apply ethical standards

Conduct research, evaluate and synthesize information

Create multimedia content, including photos, video and graphics

Demonstrate cross-cultural awareness

See more marketable skills for this major.

### **Experiences in Journalism**

Students engage in real-world scenarios within the safety of the classroom environment through immersive simulations and collaborative projects. This hands-on approach allows for practice in journalism skills, navigation of ethical dilemmas, and development of problem-solving abilities in settings that mirror the complexities of the industry. By experiencing the newsroom in the classroom, students not only gain theoretical knowledge, but a robust skill sets and confidence to thrive in the dynamic field of journalism. Students may participate in faculty-led study abroad or Study in America trips, learn with peers in Living and Learning Communities, develop a professional community at networking events, compete in student competitions, or join student organizations for a well-rounded experience. An optional concentration in sports media is available.

#### **Career Opportunities**

Investigative reporter

Multimedia journalist

Digital content producer

News editor

Broadcast journalist

Photojournalist

Copywriter

Content strategist

Editorial assistant

Sports reporter

Political correspondent

Media analyst