# Mass Communication | 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.	Meet with the <u>College of Fine Arts and Communications Advising Center</u> for questions about your major.	Check your Degree Audit & meet with your academic advisor.
	Embark on your first year with the <u>SJMC Living and</u> <u>Learning Community</u> .	Explore external scholarship opportunities such as the $\frac{\text{Fulbright}}{\text{Scholarship}}$ Scholarship to take your expertise to unique locations abroad.	Explore next steps including a potential MA in Mass Communication.
	Explore majors with a <u>MyMajors assessment</u> .	Share your knowledge as a <u>Peer Mentor</u> or <u>Tutor at SLAC</u> .	Complement your degree with a micro credential.
	Take advantage of the <u>Student Learning Assistance</u>	Explore <u>Campus Resources</u> for academic and personal support.	Meet with a faculty mentor or peer advisor.
	<u>Center</u> (Tutoring).	Meet with a faculty mentor to select an undergraduate research opportunity.	Complete a capstone project related to major.
<b>EXPAND</b> your personal and social development	Review your degree plan for courses that include the Service-Learning Excellence program.  Begin expanding your student experience by joining an SJMC student organization.  Be part of our Living Learning Community.  Find additional events and organizations through the Bobcat Organization HUB.	Sharpen your leadership by joining one or more of the Immersive Courses at SJMC.  Consider the School of Journalism and Mass Communication's specially tailored Education Abroad and Study in America programs led by faculty.  Discover Global Online Learning Experiences for courses with culturally dynamic perspectives.  Participate in The Big Event to give back to the regional community.  Attend a Nonprofit and Volunteer Fair from Student Involvement to jump into meaningful service in TXST's community.	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).
<b>ENRICH</b> your practical competence	Connect your schedule to the SJMC calendar each year to attend MassCommWeek and more.	Learn the <u>SJMC internship policies</u> before taking the major's internship course.  Take advantage of the activities and opportunities in the <u>Media Innovation Lab</u> .	Learn about <u>Global Career Accelerator</u> options that give you experience with global companies and in- demand tech skills.
	Explore the <u>TXST One Stop</u> for more information about the scholarships provided to new and continuing students.	Sharpen your leadership by finding a position at <u>The University Star</u> or <u>KTSW89.9</u> <u>The Other Side of Radio</u> .	Attend a professional conference, such as (department recommendation).
	Attend an <u>IDEA Center</u> workshop to learn more about undergraduate research.	Attend a conference related to your major (get recommendations from a faculty) or your student organization.	Deliver a presentation in a student conference, workshop, seminar or community organization.
		Review <u>micro internship opportunities</u> for professional development in which you learn and earn.	
ELEVATE your career and professional life	Complete your <u>Career Assessments</u> , such as Focus2.  Create your <u>Handshake</u> profile.	Develop your <u>resume</u> with the help of the professionals at <u>Career Services</u> .  Build <u>Career &amp; Graduate School Fairs</u> into your schedule to ensure your connection	Develop a full-time employment or graduate school plan with <u>Career Services</u> .
	Create your <u>LinkedIn</u> profile and connect with colleagues and leaders.	maximum opportunities.  Prepare to ace your job interviews with Career Services or your academic	Attend <u>employer info sessions</u> at Career Services.
	Develop and review your <u>resume</u> with Career Services.	department.	Complete your <u>First Destination Survey</u> to share your post-graduation plans.
	Complete a job shadowing experience or informational interview with a professional in the field of your career interest with <u>Career Services</u> .		ldentify faculty and professional references.

Department of Advertising P: 512.245.2566 advertising@txstate.edu MEMBER THE TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OUTCOMES

## Mass Communication | Bachelor's Degree



#### **OUTCOMES**

#### Marketable Skills

Think critically

Analyze and solve problems

Communicate clearly and effectively

Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of the effects of the Internet and related technologies on the fields of journalism, interactive advertising and public relations, search engines, personal branding, social networking and mobile platforms

Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of the foundations and major principles of mass media

See more marketable skills for this major

#### **Experiences in Mass Communication**

The mass communication program develops foundations in media and communication principles, critical thinking, and adaptability. Students develop research methods and analysis skills that can be applied to different fields, including law, academia, and the professional sector. Coursework also covers strategic communication within behavioral and psychological contexts. 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. This undergraduate program is accredited by the Accrediting Council on education in journalism and mass communications. An optional concentration in sports media is available.

### **Career Opportunities**

Programming

Education in mass communication

Producing

Digital communication

Promotion

Editing

Directing

Management

Webcasting

Podcasting

Sales and marketing

Administration

Social media strategy

Blogging

Copy writing

Community management

Department of Advertising P: 512.245.2656 accounting@txstate.edu Member the texas state university system