# Unofficial Degree Planning Worksheet Catalog Year: 2023 – 2024

# Major: BA in Communication and Media Studies

This worksheet is designed to help you plan and track your progress toward your degree. It lists all graduation requirements. Course descriptions are available in the current catalog. More detailed descriptions of the program can be found in the [2023 – 2024 catalog](https://ut.smartcatalogiq.com/current/catalog/).

## University Graduation Requirements

Students must earn 124 hours to be eligible for graduation.

Students must maintain an overall minimum GPA of 3.5 to be eligible for graduation with Honors Distinction.

Students must earn 100 [Academics, Community Service and Engagement](https://ut.smartcatalogiq.com/en/current/catalog/the-ut-academic-experience/honors-program/continuation-in-the-honors-program/) points per year.

Students must maintain a major minimum GPA of 2.0 to be eligible for graduation.

Students must complete 31 credit hours in residency at UT to be eligible for graduation.

Students must complete 15 credit hours in residency at UT in their major coursework.

## Honors Requirements

### Fundamentum

| **Fundamentum Requirement** | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
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| HON 100 (2cr) – Via ad Honores  – must be taken in residency |  |  |
| AWR 101 (4cr) - Reading Locally & Globally  **or** AWR 110 (5cr) – Academic Writing for Multilingual Students |  |  |
| AWR 201 (4cr) – Writing and Research: The Local and the Global  *Pre-requisite (one of the following): AWR 101, AWR 110, or equivalent* |  |  |
| Math (4cr) Requirement (choose one):  MAT 155, MAT 160, or Higher |  |  |

### Honors Core

| **Dialectic Requirement** | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
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| HON 220 (4cr) – Where have we been?  *Pre-requisite: AWR 101, HON 100*  *Co-requisite: AWR 201* |  |  |
| HON 230 (4cr) – Where are we now?  *Pre-requisite: AWR 101, HON 100*  *Co-requisite: AWR 201* |  |  |
| HON 240 (4cr) – Where are we going?  *Pre-requisite: AWR 101, HON 100*  *Co-requisite: AWR 201* |  |  |

| **Idea Labs Requirement** | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
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| HON 253 (4cr) – Idea Lab: Health Science or Natural Science  *Pre-requisite: AWR 101, HON 100*  *Co-requisite: AWR 201* |  |  |
| HON 255 (4cr) – Idea Lab: Humanities/Fine Arts  *Pre-requisite: AWR 101, HON 100*  *Co-requisite: AWR 201* |  |  |
| HON 257 (4cr) – Idea Lab: Social Science  *Pre-requisite: AWR 101, HON 100*  *Co-requisite: AWR 201* |  |  |

### Honors Thesis

| **Honors Thesis Requirement** | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
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| HON 490 (6-10cr) – Thesis  *Pre-requisite: Students must be in good standing in the Honors Program and must have completed 60 credit hours of course work.* |  |  |

## Communication and Media Studies (48 Credits)

### Communication Core Requirement

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| **Communication Core Requirement (24 credits)** | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
| COM 224 (4cr) –Media and Society |  |  |
| COM 232 (4cr) – Visual Literacy |  |  |
| COM 242 (4cr) – Digital Citizenship |  |  |
| COM 323 (4cr) – Digital Communication and Society |  |  |
| COM 327 (4cr) – Communication and Law |  |  |
| COM 475 (4cr) – Communication and Media Studies Capstone |  |  |

### Media Production Requirement

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| **Media Production Requirement (8 credits)**  At least one course at the 300-level or above.  Refer to catalog for the [Elective Options](https://ut.smartcatalogiq.com/en/current/catalog/college-of-arts-and-letters/department-of-communication/communication-and-media-studies/).  *Pre-requisites will depend on the course chosen.* | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
| Media production course (4cr) |  |  |
| Media production course at 300-level or above (4cr) |  |  |

### Media Studies Elective Requirement

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| **Media Studies Elective Requirement (8 credits)**  At least one course at the 300-level or above.  Refer to catalog for the [Elective Options](https://ut.smartcatalogiq.com/en/current/catalog/college-of-arts-and-letters/department-of-communication/communication-and-media-studies/).  *Pre-requisites will depend on the course chosen.* | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
| Media Studies Elective (4cr) |  |  |
| Media Studies 300+ Elective (4cr) |  |  |

### Major Elective Requirement

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| **Major Elective Requirement (8 credits)**  COM 354 Internship in Communication and COM 392 Independent Study in Communication can only count for four credit hours toward electives.  Refer to catalog for the [Elective Options](https://ut.smartcatalogiq.com/en/current/catalog/college-of-arts-and-letters/department-of-communication/communication-and-media-studies/).  *Pre-requisites will depend on the course chosen.* | **Course Taken** | **Semester Taken** |
| Major Elective (4cr) |  |  |
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