**American University of Central Asia**

**Liberal Arts and Sciences Department**

**Mass Communications Concentration**

**CHECKLIST FOR ADMITS 2022**

| **General Education Courses** | | | | | | |
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| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequisites** | **Comments** |
| **Academic Orientation program:**  **August 22- September 2, 2022** |  |  | **2\*** |  |  | **Outside of 240** |
| First Year Seminar I |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| First Year Seminar II |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS) |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS) |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| English Composition I |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| English Composition II |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Kyrgyz Language and Literature I |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| Kyrgyz Language and Literature II |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| Russian Language I |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| Russian Language II |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| History of Kyrgyzstan |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| Geography of Kyrgyzstan |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| Manas Studies |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Natural Sciences/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Arts/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
| Humanities/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
| Social Sciences/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
| Sports |  |  | 400 hours/0 credits |  |  |  |
| **Total GenEd credits** |  |  | **92 [2] credits** |  |  |  |

**\*** Credits earned for the Academic Orientation program are not included into 240 credits for graduation.

\*\*All students in their 2nd year must take one Second Year Seminar. This seminar substitutes for one required 6-credit course in either Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts or Natural Science.

\*\*\*One 6-credit course in Major requirements could be counted towards General Education requirements.

| **Major Requirements** | | | | | | |
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| **LAS Core Courses – 24 credits** | | | | | | |
| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequisites** | **Comments** |
| Concepts of Modern Art/Arts | LAS/ ART 230 | 4257 | 6 | 1 | - | Can be counted towards Arts requirement in the General Education program |
| World Literature/Humanities | LAS/ HUM 220 | 4977 | 6 | 2 | - | Can be counted towards Humanities requirement in the General Education program |
| Concepts of Modern Sciences/Natural Sciences | LAS/ NTR 100 | 3110 | 6 | 1 | - | Can be counted towards Natural Sciences requirement in the General Education program |
| Globalization and Social Sciences/Social Sciences | LAS/ SS 102 | 3314 | 6 | 2 | - | Can be counted towards Social Sciences requirement in the General Education program |
| **Concentration Required Courses – 48 credits** | | | | | | |
| Introduction to Mass Communications | JOR-182 | 2936 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Newswriting Skills | MC 235.1 | 3076 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Data Journalism | JMC-250.1 | 3377 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Advanced Reporting | MC237.1 | 3341 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Multimedia Skills | JOR-201 | 3340 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Senior Project/Thesis I |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Senior Project/Thesis II |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Research Methods |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| **Elective Courses in the Concentration - 30 credits from the following list:** | | | | | | |
| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequisites** | **Comments** |
| Mass Communication Theory | JOR182 | 2936 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Media Law and Ethics | JR/LAW/T CMA348.1 | 3475 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Visual Anthropology |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Media, Society and Culture |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Documentary Filmmaking | TCMA/JMC/ART-310 | 4681 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Graphic Design I | JMC/ COM 301 | 3763 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Journalism Investigation | JOUR-403 | 3868 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Digital PR | JMC/BUS-374 | 4165 | 6 |  |  |  |
| 3D Design and Animation | JMC/COM 238 | 4047 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Data Storytelling | JOR-285 | 4696 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Communication theory and practice | JMC 253 | 4824 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Development Communication | MC325.1 | 3247 | 6 |  |  |  |
| E-commerce and digital marketing | JOR/LAS200 | 5530 E | 6 |  |  |  |
| Making social impact through media | JOR-218 | 5529 | 6 |  |  |  |
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| **Other courses outside of major = 70 credits.** | | | | | | |
| **Total Number of Credits** |  |  | **240** |  |  |  |

**Order of study for 2022 admits**

| **Academic Orientation Program [2 credits]** | | | |
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| **1st semester (30 credits)** | | **2nd semester (30 credits)** | |
| First Year Seminar I  English Composition for Liberal Arts I  Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS I) – 2 credits | 12 | First Year Seminar II  English Composition for Liberal Arts II  Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS II) – 2 credits | 12 |
| Introduction to Mass Communication | 6 | Effective Storytelling for the Media | 6 |
| Concepts of Modern Sciences | 6 | World Literature | 6 |
| Elective | 6 | Elective | 6 |
| Sport | 0 | Sport | 0 |
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| **3rd semester (30 credits)** | | **4th semester (30 credits)** | |
| Concepts of Modern Art | 6 | Globalization and Social Sciences | 6 |
| Newswriting Skills | 6 | Kyrgyz language and literature 4  Russian language 2 | 6 |
| Communication Theory and Practice I | 6 | History and Geography of Kyrgyzstan | 6 |
| History of Journalism | 6 | Communication Theory and Practice II | 6 |
| Kyrgyz language and literature 4  Russian language 2 | 6 | Mass Media Research Methods | 6 |
| Sport | 0 | Sport | 0 |
| **5th semester (30 credits)** | | **6th semester ( 30 credits)** | |
| Multimedia Skills I (Video/Audio) | 6 | Multimedia Skills II (Video/Audio) | 6 |
| Journalism Investigation | 6 | Newswriting Skills II | 6 |
| Advanced Reporting | 6 | General Education Course | 6 |
| General Education Course | 6 | General Education Course | 6 |
| Elective Course | 6 | Elective course | 6 |
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| **7th semester (30 credits)** | | **8th semester (30 credits)** | |
| Senior thesis seminar I | 6 | Senior thesis seminar II | 6 |
| Elective Course | 6 | General Education Course | 6 |
| General Education Course | 6 | Elective Course | 6 |
| Elective Course | 6 | Elective Course | 6 |
| Elective Course | 6 | Elective Course | 6 |

## Graduation requirements:

1. Earn at least 240 credits (+credit hours earned for program internships)
   1. Complete all General Education requirements;
   2. Complete all requirements for at least one major;
   3. Earn no more than 102 credits of introductory (100-level) courses;
   4. Complete at least 18 elective credits outside of a student’s major and General Education program;
   5. Complete the required number of internship credits (the number of credits is determined by each department);
   6. Pass all state graduation examinations;
   7. Successfully complete and defend a senior thesis/project;
   8. Receive no "F" or "N/p" grades in the final semester;

To earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0.