

**American University of Central Asia
Liberal Arts and Sciences Department
Mass Communications Concentration
CHECKLIST FOR ADMITS 2022**

General Education Courses						
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						
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			
Other courses outside of major = 70 credits.						
Total Number of Credits			240			

Order of study for 2022 admits

Academic Orientation Program [2 credits]

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
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
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)
 - a. Complete all General Education requirements;
 - b. Complete all requirements for at least one major;
 - c. Earn no more than 102 credits of introductory (100-level) courses;
 - d. Complete at least 18 elective credits outside of a student's major and General Education program;
 - e. Complete the required number of internship credits (the number of credits is determined by each department);
 - f. Pass all state graduation examinations;
 - g. Successfully complete and defend a senior thesis/project;
 - h. Receive no "F" or "N/p" grades in the final semester;
- To earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0.