

**TRANSFER GUIDE
B.A. Mass Communications
MESA STATE COLLEGE**

Section I: Degree/Program Requirements

A. Institutional graduation requirements for this degree program.

The graduation requirements for a transfer student pursuing this major will be no different than the graduation requirements for a native student, including the minimum number of semester credit hours required for graduation requirements. Specifically, the student must:

- Complete 120 credit hours successfully,
- Successfully complete the 6 credit hour B.A. Degree Distinction requirement (foreign language),
- Successfully complete the 3 credit hour Human Performance and Wellness graduation requirement,
- Successfully complete the required 48 credit hours in the major,
- Earn a GPA of 2.5 or higher for all courses in the major (including a 2.5 GPA for the first two MASS classes) and a 2.0 overall GPA for all courses taken,
- Successfully complete the required 40 credit hours of upper division courses (numbered 300 or higher) and,
- Successfully complete the required number of elective credit hours toward the degree and,
- Meet graduation requirements regarding exit exams and/or any other major-specific requirements appearing on the student degree/program plan.

B. Required courses in Major, including pre-requisites and required supporting courses. Student may choose more than one concentration area.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUIRED COURSES: Required courses to be taken as part of AA/AS degree to guarantee the completion of a baccalaureate degree in 60 additional credits after transfer.

Required courses

JOU 105 Introduction to Mass Media (3)

JOU 106 Fundamentals of Reporting (3) **minimum GPA of 2.5 for these two courses is required**

** Elective credit hours section of Mesa State degree will include all transfer credits not used in any other manner*

*** Students at community colleges offering Physical Education courses may want to check with advisor regarding acceptable courses for fulfillment of Human Performance and Wellness graduation requirement. Students taking foreign language courses at the community college need to check with an advisor regarding possible fulfillment of the BA Degree Distinction requirement*

Note: Student must have achieved a grade of B or better in the General Education English Composition sequence to be considered for this major

DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours	CC Course Number	CC Course Name (recommend these courses be taken while at CC)	CC Credit Hours
Required Major Core Courses BA Mass Communications					
MASS 397	Practicum	1			
MASS 480	Journalism Law and Ethics	3			
MASS 490	Theory and Research	3			
MASS 494	Seminar	3			
MASS 499	Internship	5			
MASS 301 or MASS 320 or MASS350	Select from outside main concentration: Broadcast Journalism Writing or Fundamentals Photojournalism or Public Relations Concepts.	3			

Concentrations: select one main concentration area					
	News/Editorial	7 Required MASS courses	21		
		One MASS course from any other concentration	3		
	Broadcasting	8 Required MASS courses	24		
	Public Relations/Advertising	8 Required MASS courses	24		
	Print Media	7 Required MASS courses	21		
		One MASS course from any other concentration	3		
General Electives *					
	Degree total 30 elective cr.	Electives (see advisor for Upper Division credit hour requirements)	9		
Other graduation requirements **					
B.A. Degree Distinction Two consecutive courses of approved Foreign Language			6		
Human Performance and Wellness			3		
Graduation Requirements beyond AA/AS degree			60		
Associate of Arts/Science Degree			60		
TOTAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS			120		

Section II: Transfer of Credit

A. Grade Eligibility

Only academic courses with a letter grade of C or better are transferable. If a course is taken pass/fail or satisfactory/unsatisfactory, the grade must be C or better to be satisfactory or pass.

For purposes of transfer acceptance only, a C- is considered the same as a C. Mesa State College will accept and count toward meeting graduation requirements all state guaranteed general education courses that have a grade of C or better.

B. Treatment of Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) in awarding credit

Mesa State College accepts scores of 3 and above (dependent on subject type) for Advance Placement exams and scores of 5 and above (dependent on subject of exam and level of exam) for International Baccalaureate exams.

C. Age of Transfer credit

In general, Mesa State College will accept all approved credits earned with 15 years of transfer. Mesa State reserves the right to evaluate, on a course-by-course basis, any credits earned 15 or more years prior to enrollment.

Section III: Appeals Process

A. Institutional Appeal Process

Students who follow this agreement shall have the right to appeal a transfer decision that appears to be inconsistent with the terms and courses listed in this agreement. Appeals pertaining to this transfer guide should be filed with the Mesa State College Vice President of Academic Affairs. A student may file an appeal that pertains to state guaranteed general education courses directly to CCHE.

