

Student Name: _____ ID # _____

Advisor Name: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

MEDIA & COMMUNICATION MAJOR CHECKLIST: ALL STREAMS (122 s.h.) 2026-27 Academic Calendar

1. Inquiry: Ways of Knowing – Core Requirements (37 s.h.*)

**University Core Requirements are modified for students who transfer in with 57 s.h. or more of initial transfer credit. See [Academic Calendar](#) for details.*

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
FOUNDATIONAL INQUIRIES (28 sem. hrs.)				Academic Writing Requirement ¹			
<i>Academic Research & Writing</i>				WAYS OF KNOWING (9 sem. hrs.)			
	ENGL _____	3	Choose two of ENGL 101, 102, 103, 104.	In addition to the courses on the left, students must take an additional 9 sem. hrs. from each of the following categories, <i>all of which must be from outside of the student's major.</i>			
	ENGL _____	3					
<i>Foundations</i>				<i>Aesthetic & Performance Inquiry</i>			
	FNDN 101	1	Compulsory during the first semester of the first year for all new students unless they have a minimum 24 sem. hrs. initial transfer credit.		**	**	Satisfied by MCOM 221 or 231.
	FNDN 102	3	Normally taken before year three.	<i>Cultural & Linguistic Inquiry</i>			
	FNDN 201	3				3	Choose 3 sem. hrs. from the Cultural & Linguistic Inquiry category below.
<i>Logical & Ethical Reasoning</i>				<i>Experiential & Embodied Inquiry</i>			
	PHIL _____	3	Choose one of PHIL 100, 103, 105, 106, 109, or 210.		**	**	Satisfied by MCOM 281.
<i>Religious & Spiritual Thought</i>				<i>Historical & Archival Inquiry</i>			
	RELS _____	3	Choose RELS 110 or 160. Recommended in 1st semester of the 1st year.			3	Choose 3 sem. hrs. from the Historical & Archival Inquiry category below.
	RELS 111	3		<i>Quantitative & Computational Inquiry</i>			
	RELS 112	3				3	Choose 3 sem. hrs. from the Quantitative & Computational Inquiry category below.
<i>Scientific Method & Lab Research</i>				<i>Social & Global Inquiry</i>			
		3	Choose one of BIOL 103/196, 104/197, 113/198, 114/199, 216, 241, 262, CHEM 101, 103/198, 111/198; GENV 109, 121, 262; GEOL 109; PHYS 111.		**	**	Satisfied by MCOM 171.

¹**Academic Writing Requirement:** students must take WRTG 100 (native English speakers) or WRTG 101 (non-native English speakers) in their first semester at TWU, unless exempt at the time of admission to the University. WRTG course credit may be included toward a degree program as elective credit.

Ways of Knowing: Categories

Cultural & Linguistic Inquiry	ANTH 210, 395; EDUC 496; ENGL 334, 340, 482; GREE 235; HEBR 245; HIST 237; IDIS 201; POLS 237; RELS 235, 245; SOCI 395; any World Languages & Cultures course (CHIN, FREN, JAPA, RUSS, SPAN).
Historical & Archival Inquiry	ART 237, 238; ECON 306; GENV 312; HIST 107, 108, 135, 306, 339, 391; MUSI 131, 132; NURS 230; PHIL 203, 314, 421; POLS 391; PSYC 408; RELS 320, 351, 352, 475; SAMC 112; SOCI 391; THTR 331, 332.
Quantitative & Computational Inquiry	BUSI 176, 275; CHEM 104, 112; CMPT 140; DATA 100; ECON 176, 275; GENV 282, 382, 383; MATH 102, 108, 123, 150, 190, 191; PHYS 112; PSYC 207; SOCI 207; SOCS 305, 383; STAT 102, 108.

2. Required Media & Communication Courses (18 - 24 s.h.)

Of the 42 s.h. required for a Media and Communication Major, 24 s.h. must be upper level.

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
	MCOM 171	3	Take in fall of first year.		MCOM _____	3	Choose 6 hours from MCOM 369, 372, 373, 399, 411, 412, 452, 471, 472, or 490. Note: <u>Strategic Communication Stream</u> may also choose from MCOM 316 and 317.
	MCOM 191	3	Take in second year.		MCOM _____	3	
	MCOM _____	3	MCOM 221 or 231. Take in first two years.		MCOM _____*	3	*General, Media Studies, and Professional Writing Streams: Choose any two additional courses (6 hrs.) to round out the core.
	MCOM 281	3	Take in first two years.		MCOM _____*	3	

3. Stream Requirements*

*Only 3 s.h. of Media Communication practica (MCOM 351 – 359) may count toward the major. Up to 5 s.h. more may count toward electives. (The only exception to this applies to students completing the Laurentian Leadership Centre program, for which 6 s.h. may count toward the major, and 2 more s.h. toward electives.)

General Stream Courses (18 s.h.)

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
	MCOM _____	3	Choose 15 s.h. of MCOM credit.		MCOM _____	3	
	MCOM _____	3			MCOM _____	3	
	MCOM _____	3			MCOM _____	3	

Media Studies Stream Courses (18 s.h.)

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
	MCOM 111	3	Take in first year.		MCOM _____	3	Choose 15 s.h. from the following: MCOM 211, 221, 231, 251, 252, 290, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 321, 322, 323, 331, 332, 333, 334, 361, 390, 391 – 393*, 411, 412, 421, 422, and 490.
	MCOM _____	3	See list on the right.		MCOM _____	3	
	MCOM _____	3			MCOM _____	3	

Professional Writing Stream Courses (18 s.h.)

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
	MCOM _____	3	Choose either MCOM 251 or 261.		MCOM _____	3	Choose 12 s.h. from the following: MCOM 252, 290, 351, 352, 361, 362, 369, 390, 391-393*, 451, 452, 453, 461 or 490.
	MCOM 469	3	Choose from list on the right.		MCOM _____	3	
	MCOM _____	3			MCOM _____	3	

Strategic Communication Stream Courses (24 s.h.)

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
	MCOM 252	3			MCOM _____	3	MCOM 472 or 475.
	MCOM _____	3	MCOM 271 or 272.		MCOM 451	3	
	MCOM _____	3	Choose a 300-level MCOM course.		MCOM _____	3	Choose from: MCOM 313, 321, 331, 332, 333, 334
	MCOM 471	3			MCOM _____	3	Choose a 400-level MCOM course.

4. Ancillary Requirements (9 s.h.)

General, Media Studies, and Professional Writing Stream Ancillary Requirements

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
		3	6 s.h. in one foreign language, ancient or modern.			3	HIST*, POLS, SAMC 112 or 420, or PSYC 207.
		3		*In addition to HIST required for the Core.			

Strategic Communication Stream Ancillary Requirements

	BUSI 111	3			BUSI _____	3	Choose any one of: BUSI 334, 335, 437, or other approved business course.
	BUSI 231	3					

5. Communication Colloquium (3 s.h.)

MCOM majors must take MCOM 192 s.h. three times, and must take MCOM 190 every semester they are not taking MCOM 192.

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES
	MCOM 190	0			MCOM 190	0	
	MCOM 190	0			MCOM 192	1	
	MCOM 190	0			MCOM 192	1	
	MCOM 190	0			MCOM 192	1	

6. Elective Courses (31 s.h.)

Students are encouraged, but not required, to take elective classes that contribute to a concentration or a minor. If you choose to take a concentration or a minor, please attach the appropriate concentration/minor checklist available at twu.ca/advising.

✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES	✓	COURSE	S.H.	NOTES

NOTES:

- Graduation requirement: A total of at least 122 s.h of credit, including a minimum of 42 s.h. in the major, a minimum of 42 s.h. of upper-level credit (24 s.h. in the major), and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 overall and in the major
- You must complete an [Application for Graduation](#) via the Student Portal and [submit a copy of your filled in program checklist\(s\)](#) (i.e. this document) to the Office of the Registrar by June 30 of the year prior to your completion. For more information on the graduation process, please visit twu.ca/graduation.

This program is offered under TWU's exempt status with the Degree Quality Assessment Board.

THIS CHECKLIST IS INTENDED TO ASSIST STUDENTS AND ADVISORS IN ENSURING THAT ALL REQUIREMENTS ARE MET. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE **STUDENT** TO MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS.

B.A. Degree *Media and Communication - General Stream - 4 Year Plan*

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Fall
	1	FNDN 101
	3	RELS 110 or 160
	3	ENGL ¹
	3	MCOM 171
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 281
Semester Total: 13		

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	FNDN 201
	3	RELS 111
	3	PHIL ²
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 191
	3	Elective ⁷
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	0	MCOM 190
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 11 - 15		

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 12 - 16		

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	FNDN 102
	3	ENGL ¹
	3	MCOM 111
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 221
	3	Elective ⁶
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	RELS 112
	3	Core ³
	3	MCOM ⁴
	3	MCOM ⁴
	0	MCOM 190
	3	Elective ⁷
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 12 - 16		

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	MCOM ⁵
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 16		

COURSE LEGEND

Core Courses

1. Choose from ENGL 101, 102, 103, or 104
2. Choose from PHIL 100, 103, 105, 106, 109, 210
3. Core electives should be chosen as follows:
 - ONE Scientific Method & Lab Research
 - ONE Cultural & Linguistic Inquiry
 - ONE Historical & Archival Inquiry
 - ONE Quantitative & Computational Inquiry

Major Courses

4. Choose a total of 6 s.h. from MCOM 369, 372, 399, 411, 412, 490
5. Choose from: MCOM 211, 312, 323, 331, 332, 333, 334, 340, 351, 352, 354, 362, 371, 372, 390, 391, 392, 393, 421, 451, 472

Major + Core Courses

Ancillary Courses

6. Choose one of the following: SAMC 112, PSYC 207, any POLS, or HIST (in addition to HIST required for core).
7. Choose a total of 6 s.h. in one foreign language, ancient or modern.

Ancillary + Core Courses

Electives

Summer Sessions are encouraged to reduce semester load and/or repeat courses.

This is an example of what a 4-year degree plan might look like. It is not the official program checklist. In the case of any discrepancy between this program plan and the checklist, the checklist shall prevail. It is the student's responsibility to ensure they complete all program requirements as laid out in the approved checklist.

B.A. Degree *Media + Communication - Media Studies* - 4 Year Plan

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Fall
	1	FNDN 101
	3	RELS 110 or 160
	3	ENGL ¹
	3	MCOM 171
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 211
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	FNDN 201
	3	RELS 111
	3	PHIL ²
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 191
	3	Ancillary ¹¹
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	0	MCOM 190
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 11 - 15		

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁷
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 12 - 16		

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	FNDN 102
	3	ENGL ¹
	3	MCOM 111
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 281
	3	MCOM 221 ⁹
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	RELS 112
	3	Core ³
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 321
	3	MCOM ⁴
	3	Ancillary ¹¹
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁶
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁶
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Ancillary ¹⁰
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 12 - 16		

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Spring
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁸
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 14 - 16		

COURSE LEGEND

Core Courses

1. Choose from ENGL 101, 102, 103, or 104
2. Choose from PHIL 100, 103, 105, 106, 109, 210
3. Core electives should be chosen as follows:
ONE Scientific Method & Lab Research
ONE Cultural & Linguistic Inquiry
ONE Historical & Archival Inquiry
ONE Quantitative & Computational Inquiry

Major Courses

4. Choose from: MCOM 361, 369, 372, 399
5. Choose from: MCOM 312, 323, 331, 332, 333, 334, 340, 351, 352, 354, 362, 371, 372, 390, 391, 392, 393, 421, 451, 472
6. Choose from: MCOM 313, 361, 390, 391, 392, 393, 452, 490
7. Choose from: MCOM 315, 390, 391, 392, 393, 490
8. Choose from: MCOM 311, 314, 321, 322, 390, 391, 392, 393, 411, 412, 422, 490

Major + Core Courses

9. Alternatively, choose MCOM 231.

Ancillary Courses

10. Choose one of the following: SAMC 112, PSYC 207, any POLS, or HIST (in addition to HIST required for core).

Ancillary + Core Courses

11. Choose a total of 6 s.h. in one foreign language, ancient or modern.

Electives

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B.A. Degree *Media + Communication - Professional Writing - 4 Year Plan*

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Fall
	1	FNDN 101
	3	RELS 110 or 160
	3	ENGL ¹
	3	MCOM 171
	0	MCOM 190
	3	Ancillary ⁹
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	FNDN 201
	3	RELS 111
	3	PHIL ²
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 191
	3	MCOM 261
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵
	0	MCOM 190
	3	Ancillary ¹⁰
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 11 - 15		

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Fall
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁷
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁷
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 12 - 16		

		YEAR 1
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	FNDN 102
	3	ENGL ¹
	0	MCOM 190
	3	MCOM 221
	3	MCOM 281
	3	Ancillary ⁹
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 2
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	RELS 112
	3	Core ³
	3	MCOM ⁴
	3	MCOM ⁴
	0	MCOM 190
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 15		

		YEAR 3
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	Core ³
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁶
	1	MCOM 192
	3	MCOM 469
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 12 - 16		

		YEAR 4
✓	s.h.	Spring
	3	MCOM ⁸
	1	MCOM 192
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
	3	Elective
Semester Total: 16		

COURSE LEGEND

Core Courses

1. Choose from ENGL 101, 102, 103, or 104
2. Choose from PHIL 100, 103, 105, 106, 109, 210
3. Core electives should be chosen as follows:
 ONE Scientific Method & Lab Research
 ONE Historical & Archival Inquiry
 ONE Quantitative & Computational Inquiry

Major Courses

4. Choose from MCOM 369 (recommended), 372, 399, 411, 412
5. Choose from: MCOM 312, 323, 331, 332, 333, 334, 340, 351, 352, 354, 362, 371, 372, 390, 391, 392, 393, 421, 451, 472
6. Choose from: MCOM 351, 354, 361, 369, 390, 391, 392, 393, 452, 453, 490
7. Choose from MCOM 351, 354, 390, 391, 392, 393, 452, 490
8. Choose from MCOM 354, 369, 390, 391, 392, 393, 453, 490

Major + Core Courses

Ancillary Courses

9. Choose a total of 6 s.h. in one foreign language, ancient or modern.
10. Choose one of the following: SAMC 112, PSYC 207, any POLS, or HIST (in addition to HIST required for core).

Ancillary + Core Courses

Electives

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B.A. Degree *Media & Communication - Strategic Communication Stream - 4 Year Plan*

		YEAR 1	
✓	s.h.	Fall	
	1	FNDN 101	
	3	RELS 110	
	3	ENGL ¹	
	3	MCOM 171	
	0	MCOM 190	
	3	MCOM 281	
Semester Total: 15			

		YEAR 2	
✓	s.h.	Fall	
	3	FNDN 201	
	3	RELS 111	
	3	PHIL ²	
	0	MCOM 190	
	3	MCOM 191	
	3	Elective ⁷	
Semester Total: 15			

		YEAR 3	
✓	s.h.	Fall	
	3	Core ³	
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵	
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁵	
	0	MCOM 190	
	3	Elective	
	3	Elective	
Semester Total: 11 - 15			

		YEAR 4	
✓	s.h.	Fall	
	3	Core ³	
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁶	
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁶	
	1	MCOM 192	
	3	Elective	
	3	Elective	
Semester Total: 12 - 16			

		YEAR 1	
✓	s.h.	Spring	
	3	FNDN 102	
	3	ENGL ¹	
	0	MCOM 190	
	3	MCOM 221	
	3	MCOM 271	
	3	Elective ⁸	
Semester Total: 15			

		YEAR 2	
✓	s.h.	Spring	
	3	RELS 112	
	3	Core ³	
	3	MCOM ⁴	
	3	MCOM ⁴	
	0	MCOM 190	
	3	Elective ⁸	
Semester Total: 15			

		YEAR 3	
✓	s.h.	Spring	
	3	Core ³	
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁶	
	1 - 3	MCOM ⁶	
	1	MCOM 192	
	3	Elective	
	3	Elective	
Semester Total: 12 - 16			

		YEAR 4	
✓	s.h.	Spring	
	1	MCOM 192	
	3	MCOM 479	
	3	Elective	
	3	Elective	
	3	Elective	
	3	Elective	
Semester Total: 16			

COURSE LEGEND	
	Core Courses
	1. Choose from ENGL 101, 102, 103, or 104
	2. Choose from PHIL 100, 103, 105, 106, 109, 210
	3. Core electives should be chosen as follows: ONE Scientific Method & Lab Research ONE Historical & Archival Inquiry ONE Quantitative & Computational Inquiry
	Major Courses
	4. Choose from MCOM 369, 372, 399, 411, 412, 490
	5. Choose from: MCOM 312, 323, 331, 332, 333, 334, 340, 351, 352, 354, 362, 371, 372, 390, 391, 392, 393, 421, 451
	6. Choose from: MCOM 372, 390, 391, 392, 393, 471, 490
	Major + Core Courses
	Ancillary Courses
	7. Choose one of the following: SAMC 112, PSYC 207, any POLS, or HIST (in addition to HIST required for core).
	Ancillary + Core Courses
	8. Choose a total of 6 s.h. in one foreign language, ancient or modern.
	Electives
	<i>Summer Sessions are encouraged to reduce semester load and/or repeat courses.</i>

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