

Public Affairs Reporting

Degree Program	Program Type	Dept Application Materials and Admission Criteria	Prerequisite Course Requirements	Department ADM Review	Dept Conditional Admits	Dept Appeal Process
Public Affairs Reporting MA	On campus	<p>*Completed PAR application</p> <p>*Samples of written work</p> <p>*Narrative statement on qualifications and interest in program</p> <p>*3 references</p> <p>Other requirements:</p> <p>*Finalists are required to take a literacy/competency/current events test; complete a writing exercise; and interview with PAR Admissions Committee</p> <p>*Writing ability</p> <p>*Interest in government and public affairs</p> <p>*Potential for a career in journalism</p> <p>Academic record</p> <p>Application Deadline: April 1, or the next business</p>	N/A	<p>PAR Program Director screens files for minimum requirements;</p> <p>Admissions Committee conducts interviews, reviews application materials of finalists, and makes admission decisions.</p> <p>Committee members include UIS faculty involved with program and Statehouse print and broadcast reporters (many of whom are PAR graduates)</p>	Yes	<p>No; however, viable applicants who lack professional experience are encouraged to seek additional journalism training and to reapply later</p>

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		day if April 1 falls on a weekend.				