

Accelerated B.A./M.A. Program

The requirements for the M.A. in Communication and Digital Media remain the same for students in the joint accelerated degree, except that up to 12 hours of 400 or 500-level courses taken during the B.A. coursework may be waived from the M.A. degree requirements. With those reductions, 20 credit hours are required to complete the M.A. degree.

To apply for these credits, students must submit a student petition requesting a waiver of the twelve (12) elective credit hours. This petition must be completed in consultation with an academic advisor and must identify the approved 400- or 500-level courses that will be applied toward both the undergraduate and graduate degrees.

This special curriculum is designed for undergraduates who know early on that they would like to complete a Master's Degree in Communication and Digital Media. This joint accelerated degree makes it possible for students to complete a B.A. in Communication and a M.A. in Communication and Digital Media more efficiently when undertaking full-time study.

To be formally accepted into the joint accelerated degree program, students must have completed (or be on track to complete following the current semester) 60 hours toward a bachelor's degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

Students must notify the Director of the School of Communication of their desire to be considered for the joint accelerated degree. If accepted, the student must begin (or continue) pursuing a B.A. in Communication.

Students in the joint accelerated degree must satisfy all the requirements for the B.A. in Communication.