



**Direct Transfer Track: Associate of Arts with a concentration in Writing
to Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications
Bulletin Year: 2025-2026**

This course plan provides a recommended sequence for this major. For detailed degree requirements, please refer to the University of South Carolina Bulletin. Additionally, reach out to your academic advisor at Midlands Technical College for assistance in navigating coursework in your MTC program of study. Your University of South Carolina advisor will help with course selection and planning for upcoming semesters after transfer.

| Course Subject and Title | Credit Hours | Min. Grade | USC Equivalent Course | USC Degree Applicability |
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| Semester One (15 Credit Hours) | | | | |
| ENG 101- English Composition I | 3 | C | ENGL 101- Critical Reading and Composition | CC- CMW |
| CPT 101- Intro to Computers | 3 | C | CSCE 101- Intro to Computer Concepts | CC- ARP |
| PSY 201- General Psychology or SOC 101- Intro to Sociology | 3 | C | PSYC 101- Introduction to Psychology or SOCY 101- Introductory Sociology | CR- Social Science |
| THE 101- Intro to Theatre or MUS 105- Music Appreciation or ART 101- Art History and Appreciation | 3 | C | THEA 200- Understanding and Appreciating Theatre or MUSC 110- Introduction to Music or ARTE 101- Introduction to Art | CC- AIU |
| COL 105- Freshman Seminar | 3 | C | UNEL 001T- Freshman Seminar | PR- Elective 1 |
| Semester Two (15 Credit Hours) | | | | |
| ENG 102- English Composition II | 3 | C | ENGL 102- Rhetoric and Composition | CC- CMW |
| ENG 238- Creative Writing (Concentration Course; Must earn grade of C or better) | 3 | C | ENGL 360- Creative Writing | PR-Elective 2 |
| MAT 120- Probability and Statistics | 3 | C | STAT 201- Elementary Statistics | CC- ARP |
| HIS 201- American History Discovery to 1877 or HIS 202- American History 1877 to Present | 3 | C | HIST 111- US History to 1865 or HIST 112- US History since 1865 | CC- GHS/FD CC-GHS |
| SOC 205 Social Problems or LNG 101 Intro to Language | 3 | C | SOCY 003T Social Problems or LING 101 Linguistics I: Intro to Language | CR |
| Semester Three (16 Credit Hours) | | | | |
| ENG 203- American Literature Survey | 3 | C | ENGL 285- Special Topics in American Literature | PR-Elective 3 |
| ENG 263- Writing for Social Media | 3 | C | JOUR 002T- Writing for Social Media | MR |
| ECO 201 Economic Concepts (proposed) or MKT 101 Marketing | 3 | C | ECON 224 Intro to Economics or MKTG 002T Marketing | CR- Additional SJMC Requirement |
| BIO 101- Biological Science or BIO 105 Principles of Biology or AST 101 Solar System Astronomy or GEO 205 Physical Geography | 4 | C | BIOL 101- Biological Principles and BIOL 101L- Biological Principles Lab or BIOL 110 General Biology or ASTR 101 Intro to Astronomy or GEOG 104 Intro to Physical Geography | CC- SCI |
| PSC 201 American Government | 3 | C | POLI 201 American National Government | CC- GSS/VSR/FD |
| Semester Four (15 Credit Hours) | | | | |
| ENG 260- Advanced Technical Communications | 3 | C | ENGL 462- Technical Writing | PR-Elective 4 |
| ENG 299- Special Topics in English | 3 | C | ENGL 439- Selected Topics | PR-Elective 5 |
| SPC 205- Public Speaking | 3 | C | SPCH 140- Public Communication | CC- CMS |
| ENG 175- Proofreading and Editing | 3 | C | ENGL 003T- Proofreading and Editing | PR- Elective 6 |
| HIS 102- Western Civilization Post 1689 | 3 | C | HIST 102- European Civilization: Mid 17 th Century | CR-HIST |
| Semester Five (15-16 Credit Hours) | | | | |
| Foreign Language | 3-4 | | | CC- GFL |
| JOUR 101 Media & Society | 3 | | | MR |
| JOUR 205 History & Philosophy of Mass Media | 3 | | | MR |
| JOUR 291 Writing for Mass Communications | 3 | | | MR |
| JOUR Major Elective | 3 | | | MR |
| Semester Six (15 Credit Hours) | | | | |
| Foreign Language | 3 | | | CC- GFL |
| JOUR 307 Media, Sports & Race or JOUR 309 Hip Hop, Media, & Society or JOUR 345 Gender, Sexuality, & Sports Media or JOUR 398 Diversity Topics in Mass Media | 3 | C | | MR |
| JOUR 303 Law & Ethics of Mass Comm or JOUR 304 Internet & Social Media Law | 3 | | | MR |
| JOUR 306 Theories of Mass Communications | 3 | | | MR |
| Advanced Mass Comm Course | 3 | | | MR |
| Semester Seven (15 Credit Hours) | | | | |
| Foreign Language | 3 | | | CC- GFL |
| JOUR 311 Minorities, Women, and Mass Media | 3 | | | MR |
| Advanced Mass Comm Course | 3 | | | MR |
| JOUR Major Elective Course | 3 | | | MR |
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| Semester Eight (15 Credit Hours) | | | | |
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| JOUR 415-Mass Communications Capstone Course | 3 | | | MR |
| Advanced Mass Comm Course | 3 | | | MR |
| Carolina Core SCI | 3 | | | CC-SCI |
| JOUR Major Elective | 3 | | | MR |
| General Elective | 3 | | | PR- Elective |

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

| Codes: | | | |
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| CC | Carolina Core | CC-INF | Carolina Core – Information Literacy |
| CC-AIU | Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding | CC-INT | Carolina Core – Integrative Course |
| CC-ARP | Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving | CC-SCI | Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy |
| CC-CMS | Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component | CC-VSR | Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility |
| CC-CMW | Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component | CR | College Requirement |
| CC-GFL | Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language | MR | Major Requirement |
| CC-GHS | Carolina Core – Historical Thinking | PR | Program Requirement |
| CC-GSS | Carolina Core – Social Sciences | FD | Founding Documents |