



## Program Planning Enclosure

Calendar Year: 2012/2013

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Faculty: Arts & Science (U of L)

Students with an academic objective of Journalism are generally admitted to a B.A. program at the University of Lethbridge with a major of the student's choice. Majors in Economics, English, History, Political Science or Sociology may be of particular interest.

The University of Lethbridge offers courses that will qualify students for the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism at the University of Regina. Prospective applicants must have completed at least 20 semester courses to be considered for admission. Students may also apply the Bachelor of Journalism degree program at the University of Regina after completion of a degree at the University of Lethbridge.

### Academic Requirements for Admission

To be in a position to apply to the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism at the University of Regina, students need to include the following courses in their University of Lethbridge program:

U of A requirements	U of L Equivalency
2 courses in English	English 1900 - Introduction to Language and Literature English elective
1 course in Logic or Mathematics	One of: Logic 1000 - Critical Thinking Mathematics 1410 - Elementary Linear Algebra Mathematics 1510 - Calculus for Management and Social Sciences Mathematics 1560 - Calculus I
2 courses in the same language other than English	Choose from French, German, Japanese, or Spanish
1 course in a Natural Science (with lab component)	One of: Biology 1010 - Cellular Basis of Life Biology 1020 - Diversity of Life Chemistry 1000 - General Chemistry I Geology 2060 - Physical Geology Physics 1000 - Introduction to Physics I Physics 1050 - Introduction to Biophysics
1 course in Fine Arts	One of: Art History/Museum Studies 1000 - Introduction to Art Drama 1000 - Introduction to Dramatic Arts Music 1000 - Introduction to Music
1 course in Humanities	One of: Linguistics 2300 - Introduction to Linguistics I: Phonetics and Phonology Philosophy 1000 - Introduction to Philosophy Religious Studies 1000 - Introduction to World Religions Women and Gender Studies 1000 - Knowing Bodies: An Introduction to Women and Gender Studies Additional English course Additional language course
3 courses from the following 4 topics: - Economics - Canadian History - Canadian Politics - Media in a social context	One of: Economics 1010 - Introduction to Microeconomics OR Economics 1012 - Introduction to Macroeconomics History 2710 - Canada to 1867 OR History 2720 - Canada Since 1867 Political Science 2210 - Canadian Politics and Government Sociology 3390 - Sociology of Mass Communication

**Note:** Many of the above courses have prerequisites which may or may not be included within your chosen major. Please refer to the Calendar or the Timetable for prerequisite information.

**Application Information for the School of Journalism:**

Competition for admission to the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism program at the University of Regina is keen. Students are cautioned that adherence to the program requirements (as indicated on the previous page) is mandatory; applications will be eliminated from consideration if any required course has not been taken.

Students may also apply for a Bachelor of Journalism. This degree is for students with any previous degree who seek to specialize in Journalism. There are no specific courses required for admission to the Bachelor of Journalism degree. The previous degree must be conferred no later than Spring Convocation of the year for which admission is sought.

The School admits a maximum of 26 students per year.

**Application Procedure:**

Applications to the program must be received by the University of Regina Admissions Office by **January 31** of the year in which admission is sought. As well as completing the pre-Journalism requirements, students must:

1. Achieve a cumulative GPA of 3.00 (B);
2. Pass an entrance examination testing English proficiency, critical thinking, and knowledge of current events; and,
3. Perform successfully in an interview before a selection board comprised of University of Regina faculty and news media representatives.

Entrance examinations and interviews are held between February and April. Applicants will be notified of the admission decision in writing.

The School of Journalism stresses the utility of a broad liberal arts base acquired during the minimum two years (60.0 credit hours) of pre-Journalism studies.

After admission to the School, students concentrate on the study and techniques of Journalism itself in a full-time, two-year (60.0 credit hour) program consisting of three terms of coursework and a four-month (one semester) internship, which every student must complete to earn the degree. Students are placed with a news media organization in western Canada and gain practical experience in the field. Completion of a practicum often leads to later employment opportunities and allows students the opportunity to gain professional experience.

The two years of Journalism studies must be completed in full at the University of Regina.

The average is calculated on the best 60.0 credit hours that fit the requirements. If a course has been repeated, only the second attempt will be considered even if that is not the better of the two. Pass/Fail courses are not included in the calculation of a student's average.

Although it is not necessary to maintain a full-time courseload during the pre-Journalism program, the Journalism program is a full-time load and you should be prepared to handle that.

**Contact Information:**

Students who are interested in the pre-Journalism program should contact Student Program Services (SU060, tel. 403-329-5106; email: [artsci.advising@uleth.ca](mailto:artsci.advising@uleth.ca)) for program selection and advice. Direct consultation with the University of Regina is also suggested.

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