***Journalism:*** *Associate in Arts for Transfer*

*CSU*

Journalism is a unique form of communication because it uses storytelling to present the news and its journalists who are the storytellers and historians that help people make sense of the events happening in the world around them. The journalism program at MSJC has many opportunities for engagement, learning, and storytelling.

***Please see a Pathways Counselor:*** Create an education plan customized to meet your needs. [Contact a Counselor](https://www.msjc.edu/hub/)

Transfer Majors/Award Focus

* Journalism A.A.-T CSU
* Journalism A.A.-T UC

GE Pattern/Units

* GE Pattern: Option B
* Total Units: 61

**Program maps** indicate the major coursework and recommended general education courses to fulfill your degree in 2 years (approximately 15 units/ semester or 30 units/year). Some of the courses listed may be substituted by another course. Please view these options in the official course [catalog](https://catalog.msjc.edu/instructional-programs/).

***Semester 1 16 Units***

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| ✔ | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| ⬜ | ENGL-101 | College Composition (formerly Freshman Composition) | 4 |
| ⬜ | HIST-111 orHIST-112 | U.S. History to 1877 orU.S. History Since 1865 | 3 |
| ⬜ | COMM-110 | Communications Media Survey | 3 |
| ⬜ | MATH-140 orPSYC-121 | Introduction to Statistics orStatistics for Behavioral Sciences | 3 |
| ⬜ | SOCI-101 | Principles of Sociology | 3 |

***Semester 2 16 Units***

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| ✔ | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| ⬜ | COMM-104 | Argumentation and Debate  | 3 |
| ⬜ | COMM-100 | Public Speaking | 3 |
| ⬜ | COMM-119 | Public Relations | 3 |
| ⬜ | PS-101 | Introduction to American Government and Politics | 3 |
| ⬜ | SPAN-101 or FREN-101 or ASL-100 | Elementary Spanish I orElementary French I or American Sign Language I | 4 |

Career Options

Program Directors (SM, A, B)

Broadcast News Analysts (SM, B)

Reporters and Correspondents (B, M)

Find more careers: [msjc.emsicc.com](http://msjc.emsicc.com)

Required Education: SM: some college; C: Certificate; A: Associate, B: Bachelor’s, M: Master’s; D: Doctorate

Financial Aid

Financial aid is determined by the number of credit hours you take in a semester. Maximize your financial aid by taking 12-15 units per semester.

***Semester 3 14 Units***

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| ✔ | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| ⬜ | ART-100 | Art Appreciation | 3 |
| ⬜ | JOUR-110 | Introduction to Reporting and Newswriting | 3 |
| ⬜ | ANTH-101 | Physical Anthropology | 3 |
| ⬜ | ANTH-111 | Physical Anthropology Lab | 1 |
| ⬜ | SPAN-102 or FREN-102 or ASL-101 | Elementary Spanish II orElementary French II or American Sign Language II | 4 |

***Semester 4 15 Units***

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| ✔ | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| ⬜ | COMM-103 | Interpersonal Communication | 3 |
| ⬜ | COMM-108 | Intercultural Communication | 3 |
| ⬜ | ENVS-101 | Environmental Science | 3 |
| ⬜ | COMM-120 | Survey of Communication Studies | 3 |
| ⬜ | JOUR-130 | Journalism Practicum | 3 |

Notes***:***

**Language Requirement**: Some CSU's require the equivalency of an intermediate language proficiency for graduation. Please see a counselor for more detail regarding specific CSU major and graduation requirements.

Work Experience

Sign up for a special project or internship opportunity. Gain [work experience](https://msjc.edu/careereducation/cwee/index.html) and earn credits.

The Talon

While you are earning your journalism degree you can participate in our very own student newspaper, The Talon. The Talon is an internship style group that will help you apply your Journalism skills in writing, graphic design, and photography.

The Talon is a platform for Mt. San Jacinto College students and the community to promote a diverse student voice, involvement from the college, and creative collaborations to:

* Report on important issues concerning MSJC, and the students that attend the institution to better connect the student with the institution
* Promote awareness of activities that occur on campus and throughout the community MSJC serves
* Inform MSJC students of events and information critical to success in higher education
* Create a venue for the student voice which fairly represents the diversity of students that attend MSJC in an ethical manner
* Support academic freedom for legitimate intellectual viewpoints in academia and the culture as a whole
* Support MSJC students with communication/journalism/English/multimedia focused workshops, lectures, competitions, and scholarships
* Create a forum where students can network with others with similar interests, gain experience in writing and community involvement, and understand the education system.

Visit our [Mt. San Jacinto College website](https://www.msjc.edu/thetalon/).

