

The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences

Media and Society Minor (MEDIASC-MN)

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The minor in Media and Society is intended to provide students with an understanding of the impact of media on everyday life. The minor requires completion of one foundational course and at least three additional courses chosen from among electives ranging from the 3000 level to the 4000-level. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the foundational course before enrolling in the electives.

The Media and Society minor requires the completion of at least four courses for a minimum 12 credits, including one foundational course. Upon completion of the minor, students should file the Minor with a college or school counselor. Any variation from the program described below needs the approval of the Director of Undergraduate Studies. Students may request approval of a minor variation by filing a petition through the School of Communication Advising Office.

**Required foundational course: (3 credit hours)**

3440 – Mass Comm and Society (3)

**Choose at least three from these electives:  
(minimum of 9 credit hours)**

3240 – Science Communication (3)  
3402 – Crime and the News Media (3)  
3404 -- Media Law & Ethics (3)  
3413 – Media Entertainment (3)  
3466 – Communication and Popular Culture (3)  
4401 – Mass Communication and Youth (3)  
4406 – Development of Mass Media in America (3)  
4814 – Political Communication (3)  
4820 – Public Opinion and Communication (3)  
4853.01– New Media and Democracy (3)  
4853.02– Media and Social Movements (3)

**Media and Society minor program guidelines**

The following guidelines govern this minor:

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 12. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hours must be at the 3000-level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed

A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be counted on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval The minor may be approved by the student's assigned academic advisor via the Degree Audit Report (DAR). If the minor is not complete on the DAR, the student must consult with a School of Communication advisor.

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

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