

Transfer Guide between Maricopa Community Colleges and Grand Canyon University



Associate in Applied Science in Journalism and New Media Studies – Bachelor of Arts in Communications

General Education requirements, excluding University Foundations and Christian Worldview, will be considered fulfilled in the event a student has completed one of the following Associate degrees:

- Associate of Arts (AA)
- Associate of Science (AS)

In the event a student has not earned one of the aforementioned Associate level degrees, all general education coursework will be required to complete GCU's Baccalaureate degree.

The following table outlines the requirements needed to receive an Associate in Journalism and New Media Studies from Maricopa Community College. Within the tables below are preferred courses from Maricopa Community College that are applicable towards Grand Canyon University's transfer-oriented Bachelor of Arts degree programs. The General Education courses outlined below are not course to course equivalencies, however they will fulfill the requirements for each competency. If the General Education GCU course has a (+) symbol, it indicates that the transferring course must be a direct course equivalency. All Program Major Transferrable Courses must be a direct course equivalency.

Maricopa Community Colleges – Associate in Applied Science in Journalism and New Media Studies	Credits	Grand Canyon University – Bachelor of Arts in Communications	GCU Applied Semester Credits
General Education Requirements			
Effective Communication (13 - 16 Credits)			
ENG-101: First-Year Composition OR ENG-107: First-Year Composition for ESL	3	+ ENG-105: English Composition	3
ENG-102: First Year Composition OR ENG-108: First-Year Composition for ESL	3	Effective Communication	3
ENG-235: Magazine Article Writing OR JRN-234: Feature Writing	3	Effective Communication	3
JRN-201: News Writing	3	Effective Communication	3
Oral Communication	3	Effective Communication	3
Critical Thinking (3 - 4 Credits)			
MAT-140/141/142: College Mathematics OR higher [MA] approved course	3 - 5	+ MAT-144: College Mathematics	3 - 5
Global Awareness (10 - 12 Credits)			
Humanities, Arts & Design	3	Global Awareness	3
Social – Behavioral Sciences	3	Global Awareness	3
JRN-225: Photojournalism	3	Global Awareness	3
MCO-220: Cultural Diversity & the Media	3	Global Awareness	3
Additional Maricopa Community Colleges Requirements			
CRE-101: College Critical Reading / Thinking	3	Elective Credit	3

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Natural Sciences [SQ] or [SG]	4	Elective Credit	4
BPC-110: Computer Usage & Applications OR CIS-105: Survey of Computer Information Systems	3	Elective Credit	3
JRN-125: Photo Editing	3	Elective Credit	3
JRN-203: Writing for Online Media	3	Elective Credit	3
JRN-205: Copyediting	3	Elective Credit	3
JRN-212: Broadcasting Writing	3	Elective Credit	3
MCO-120: Media & Society	3	Elective Credit	3
Core Electives	9	Elective Credit	9
JRN-290: Publications Portfolio	1	Credit Does Not Apply	

Bachelor of Arts in Communications: Program Major Transferrable Courses

Total Credit Hours Needed to Complete Associate of Journalism and New Media Studies at MCCC	65 - 67 Credits
Total Semester Credit Hours applied to Bachelor of Arts in Communications at Grand Canyon University	64 Credits

All students must meet 36 Upper Division credit requirement, as well as 30 GCU credits to meet residency requirement. Students must meet Upper Division credit requirement even if content of an Upper Division course requirement is met with a Lower Division course.

Symbol Key

+	Symbol indicates the MCCC course must meet specific content requirements (or higher) in order to fulfill GCU's course.
^	Symbol indicates the MCCC course meets the content requirement but does not fulfill GCU's upper division requirements.

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Course #	Bachelor of Arts	Semester Credits
Non-transferable GCU General Education: 8 Credits		
UNV-303	University Success	4
CWV-301	Christian Worldview	4
Bachelor of Arts in Communications: Program Major		
COM-100	Fundamentals of Communication	4
COM-222	Small Group Communication	4
COM-263	Elements of Intercultural Communication	4
PHI-305	Ethical Thinking in the Liberal Arts	4
COM-355	Communication Research Methods	4
COM-312	Conflict and Negotiation	4
COM-456	Organizational Communication	4
COM-362	Argumentation and Advocacy	4
COM-370	Principles of Public Relations	4
COM-472	Training and Development	4
COM-451	Relational Communication	4
COM-475	Communication Campaigns	4
Total Credit Hours Needed to Complete an Associate in Applied Science in Journalism and New Media Studies – Maricopa Community Colleges		60 Credits
Credits Completed at Grand Canyon University		56 Credits
Credits completed at Grand Canyon University may fluctuate contingent upon coursework successfully completed at the transferring institution. Courses are not listed twice on the transfer guide, so any courses not completed at the transferring institution will still be required as part of the GCU program. Students are required to complete a minimum of 120 credits to earn the Bachelor of Arts degree. If the student completes additional courses at the transferring institution, credits may not apply to their GCU program.		
Remaining open elective credits needed to earn Bachelor of Arts degree at Grand Canyon University varies based on program major requirements.		
Total Credit Hours Needed to Complete Bachelor of Arts in Communications at Grand Canyon University		120 Credits

For additional graduation requirements, please see the <https://www.gcu.edu/sites/default/files/media/Documents/Academic-Catalog/University-Policy-Handbook.pdf>. Students with transfer credit that applies to this program will shorten the time to completion from that stated on this transfer guide. Please contact your Counselor for more information. <https://www.gcu.edu/sites/default/files/media/Documents/Academic-Catalog/University-Policy-Handbook.pdf>

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