### Foundation Core (18-24 hours)
- JOUR-J 500, Introduction to Mass Media Research (3 cr.)
- JOUR-J 555, Teaching Mass Communications in College (3 cr.)
- JOUR-J 600, Quantitative Methods in Mass Communication Research (3 cr.)
- JOUR-J 651, Qualitative Methods in Mass Communication Research (3 cr.)
- JOUR-J 571, Theory and Research: Macro-Social Level (3 cr.)
- Statistics course (3 cr.)
- Two 600-level courses in the School of Journalism
- JOUR-J 805, Colloquium (3 cr.)

These two courses may be counted in a concentration area if appropriate.

### Concentration I (21-27 hours)

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Concentrations may be taken in:
1. Communication and Culture
2. Communication and Technology
3. International Communication
4. Media Ethics and Professionalism
5. Media History
6. Media Law
7. Political Communication
8. Visual Communication

or other areas approved by the student’s Advisory Committee.

### Dissertation hours (GRAD-G741)

- Minimum number of dissertation credits required is 12.
- Maximum number of dissertation credits allowed is 15.

### Electives

- Up to 12-15 hours may be taken in electives.
- This depends on the number of dissertation hours taken.
- If student has 12 hours of dissertation credits, s/he can take 15 hours of electives. If student has 15 hours of dissertation credits, s/he can take 12 hours of electives.

### Language and Research Skill

Students must achieve either in-depth proficiency of an appropriate language or completion of an approved set of three research-skill courses. If research skills courses are used, they do count toward the 90-credit total and may be counted in the concentration areas.

**TOTAL: 90 HOURS**

Up to 30 hours of the 90-credit total may be transferred from the M.A., if appropriate to the student’s program.