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 seven alternatives ranging from the 500-level to the 600-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 20 credits, including one foundational course. Upon completion of the minor, students should file the Minor Program Form with a college or school counselor. Any variation from the program described below needs the approval of an undergraduate advisor in the School of Communication.

**Required foundational courses (5 credit hours)**
Comm 642 – Mass Comm and Society (5)

**Choose at least three from these electives (15 credit hours)**
Comm 501 – Mass Communication and Youth (5)
Comm 502 – Crime and News Media (5)
Comm 604- Media Ethics (5)
Comm 606 – Development of Mass Media in America (5)
Comm 607 – Mass Comm Law (5)
Comm 613 – Media Entertainment (5)
Comm 614 – Political Communication (5)
Comm 620 – Public Opinion and Communication (5)
Comm 640 – Science Communication (5)
Comm 653 – Political Communication and e-Democracy (5)
Comm 666 – Communication and Popular Culture (5)

**Arts and Sciences minor program guidelines**
The following guidelines govern minors:

**Required for graduation** No

**Credit hours required** A minimum of 20 (some minors require more)

**Transfer credit hours allowed** A maximum of 10

**Overlap with the GEC** Permitted, unless specifically disallowed by an individual minor program.

**Overlap with the major** Not allowed and
  • The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
  • The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

**Overlap between minors** Each minor completed must contain 20 unique hours.

**Grades required**
  • Minimum C- for a course to be listed 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.

**100-level course**: For every five credit hours of 100-level course work on the minor, the minimum total required for the minor is increased by five.

**Approval required** The minor program description sheet indicates if the minor course work must be approved by:
  • The academic unit offering the minor, or
  • A college/school counselor.

**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, or
  • A college/school counselor (depending on the minor).