

Associate in Arts (614)

This program prepares students to enter the workforce or transfer to four-year institutions to pursue a bachelor's degree in Mass Communication with an emphasis in journalism/news editorial or photojournalism. Some schools have specific requirements for all students for admission to the major (e.g., portfolio review, minimum grade point average {GPA} and/or other forms of assessment).

Note: Students should be computer literate. Computer skills may be acquired before or early in the college experience.

Students who have already chosen the university to which they plan to transfer should consult that institution's catalog or department advisor and an SVCC academic advisor in planning their program.

Program Contacts at Sauk Valley Community College

Academic Advising, 815/835-6354;

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Communication (Mass) - Suggested Program

First Semester - Sem/Hrs: 17

- Math 3 Semester hour(s)
- *Electives 4 Semester hour(s)
- Social/Behavioral Science 3 Semester hour(s)

- ENG 101 - Composition I 3 Semester hour(s)
- FYE 101 - First Year Experience 1 Semester hour(s)
- SPE 131 - Introduction to Oral Communication 3 Semester hour(s)

Second Semester - Sem/Hrs: 16

- Electives 4 Semester hour(s)
- **Personal Development 3 Semester hour(s)
- Social/Behavioral Science 3 Semester hour(s)
- Fine Arts 3 Semester hour(s)

- ENG 103 - Composition II 3 Semester hour(s)

Third Semester - Sem/Hrs: 16-17

- ***Life Science 3-4 Semester hour(s)
- Electives 4 Semester hour(s)

- ENG 153 - Basic News Writing 3 Semester hour(s)
- ENG 270 - Creative Writing 3 Semester hour(s)
- SPE 181 - Introduction to Mass Communication 3 Semester hour(s)

Fourth Semester - Sem/Hrs: 16-17

- Humanities 4 Semester hour(s)
- Humanities/Fine Arts 3 Semester hour(s)

- ***Physical Science 3-4 Semester hour(s)
- Social/Behavioral Science 3 Semester hour(s)

- ENG 154 - Basic News Editing 3 Semester hour(s)

Total Credits: 66

Footnotes

*B.A. degree may require competency in a single foreign language through the third or fourth college semester.
B.S. degree may require more courses in mathematics, statistics and/or computer science. Consult an academic advisor for more information.

**Students are encouraged to take SPE 161 or SPE 232 to meet this requirement.

***One lab science required.

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