



Spring 2010

Application for undergraduate admission

Admission requirements

- Have 40 total credits by the end of the current semester. This may include transfer credits but may not include AP and retroactive credits.
- Complete J201 by the end of the current semester.
- Have no more than 16 credits in Journalism at UW-Madison by the end of the current semester. This credit count includes J201.
- For transfer students: Complete at least one full semester (i.e. a minimum of 12 credits) by admission.
- We strongly recommend first-time applicants attend a "J-School Admissions and Information" workshop in 5055 Vilas Hall. Workshops will be offered:
 - Tuesday, Oct. 6, 5-6 p.m.
 - Wednesday, Oct. 21, 6-7 p.m.
 - Monday, Nov. 2, 5-6 p.m.
 - Tuesday, Nov. 24, 5-6 p.m.
- One-on-one advising appointments for applicants are not available, but walk-in advising hours for applicants will be announced at the J-School Admission and Information Workshops, see above. Applicants may use walk-in hours for brief questions and consultation. Question-and-answer sessions will also take place at the workshops.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The J-School degree is a minimum three-term program. If you are applying for admission in your senior year, you will need at least an additional summer session and possibly additional semesters to complete your degree. Major requirements will not be waived.

Students entering the J-School are required to take Journalism 202, a six-credit journalism and strategic communication skills class, in their initial semester as majors. If, for any reason, you believe you will not be able to take J202 in the semester in which you are admitted (e.g. if you are studying abroad), you are not eligible to apply this semester.

DEADLINE:
Friday, Dec. 4, 2009, noon

Application instructions:

- Remove this instruction sheet and keep it for future reference.
- Fill out the attached form as directed.
- Include all supplementary materials listed on the attached form. Remember: *incomplete applications will not be considered for admission.* You will not be contacted if your application is incomplete.
- Place all materials in a plain manila file folder labeled with your full name.
- Please do not staple any materials unless they are multi-page pieces (e.g., term papers, writing samples, etc.)
- Return the completed application to the main Journalism office (5115 Vilas Hall) by noon on Dec. 4, 2009. Late applications will not be accepted.

NOTE: *The anticipated mailing date for notification letters is Jan. 4, 2010.*



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Name: _____

ID#: _____ E-mail Address: _____

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: Please list your TOEFL score: _____
Paper/Computer

_____ Journalism (Print, Broadcast, New Media) _____ Strategic Communication (Advertising, PR)

PLEASE CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR ADMISSIONS DECISION LETTER SENT. YOU MUST PROVIDE A UNITED STATES ADDRESS; INTERNATIONAL MAIL WILL NOT ARRIVE IN TIME FOR YOU TO ENROLL.

I (or my designee) will be at THIS address to receive my notification letter between Jan. 5-15, 2010.

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Campus Address:

Permanent Address:

Campus Phone #: _____

Permanent Phone #: _____

The J-School cannot release information about your admission to other people without your consent. If you will be unable to receive your letter and would like to designate a friend/family member to accept your admission, please fill out the following:

“I authorize the School of Journalism and Mass Communication to release admission information to and to accept enrollment requests from _____.”

_____ (your signature)

Complete portfolios include all of the following:

- This form, completed
- A UW-Madison transcript (NOT a DARS report. Transcripts are available at 21 N. Park St. or can be ordered online. Campus copies are acceptable.)
- If you are a transfer student, transcript(s) from your previous college(s) in addition to your UW transcript
- A résumé
- A one-page, single-spaced personal statement
- Two pieces of supporting materials – letters of reference or writing samples. Together they may add up to no more than 10 pages.
- Applicants who would like the School of Journalism to be aware that they have or had a documented medical condition (such as Attention Deficit Disorder) may submit documentation from their physicians or the McBurney Center. These documents will not count toward the page limits listed above.

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