

Springfield College

Undergraduate Program Advising Checksheet

Catalog Year: For students admitted to SC 2007-2008

Major: Communications / Sport Journalism

(120 total credits)

Name: _____

ID #: _____

Part I of this checksheet outlines General Education course requirements customized for your major.

Part II lists specific course requirements for your major.

Part III is space to record elective courses you choose. If applicable, this section includes courses taken for a minor or teacher preparation program.

GUIDELINES FOR USING THIS CHECKSHEET

1. Keep this checksheet as a record of your progress toward graduation; update it at the conclusion of each semester. After completing a course, mark the grade you received, the semester (for example, F07 or SP08), and the credits earned.
2. Bring the updated checksheet with you to each advising session. It is your responsibility to keep track of your progress and to be familiar with the requirements of your program.
3. Your advisor may wish to keep a second copy of your updated checksheet for his or her records.
4. If you change your major, you will need a new checksheet for that major. If you intend to complete a minor, those requirements can be listed in the elective section of this checksheet. If you are in a teacher preparation program, you may need a special checksheet which includes your education requirements.
5. You can also use this checksheet to record approved transfer, AP, or CLEP exam credit. Note that the residency policy requires you to complete a minimum of 60 credits of coursework (including 15 of your last 30 credits.) at SC.
6. If you have questions about your requirements or your progress toward graduation, contact your advisor or department chair. General questions about college policies, procedures, or graduation requirements may also be directed to the Office of the Registrar, 413/748-3530 or the Office of Academic Advising, 413/748-3379.

Information in this document is subject to change.

Students must insure that a minimum of 120 credits are completed in order to graduate.

My major advisor is:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Office location: _____

E-mail: _____

(If applicable) My second or education advisor is:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Office location: _____

E-mail: _____

ADVISING NOTES AND QUESTIONS

Date: _____

Note, question, or concern: _____

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Part I - General Education Requirements

All students must complete a minimum of 40 credit hours of General Education coursework to graduate.

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Course	Title	Credits	Grade	Sem/Yr
I. Competencies <i>(overlap* does not apply)</i>				
1. College Writing (6 credits)				
ENGL 113	College Writing I	3		
ENGL 114	College Writing II	3		
2. Writing Across the Curriculum <i>(embedded**)</i> (two courses)				
ENGL 242	Survey American Lit. II	NA		
ENGL 261	Survey British Lit. I	NA		
3. Computer Applications (3 credits)				
		3		
4. Information Literacy <i>(embedded**)</i>				
		NA		
II. Domains of Knowledge and Understanding <i>(overlap* can apply)</i>				
1. Arts and Humanities (9 credits - one course from each category)				
A. Literary Studies				
ENGL 241	Survey American Lit. I	3		
B. Visual/Performing Arts				
		3		
C. Spiritual & Ethical Dimensions				
		3		
2. Analytical and Natural Sciences (6-7 credits - one course from each category)				
A. Quantitative Reasoning				
		3		
B. Natural Sciences				
	Lecture	3		
	Lab	1		

Course	Title	Credits	Grade	Sem/Yr
II. Domains of Knowledge and Understanding (continued)				
3. Social Sciences (6 credits - one course from each category)				
A. Historical/Cultural Studies				
		3		
B. Behavioral and Social Sciences				
		3		
4. International/Multicultural Studies (3-6 credits depending upon option selected)				
		3		
		3		
5. Social Justice (3 credits)				
		3		
6. Physical Education (6 credits - three credits from each category)				
A. Health & Wellness				
HLTH 100	Wellness, A Way of Life	3		
B. Physical Activity				
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APPROVED GENERAL EDUCATION MODIFICATIONS (if necessary):				
Requirement	Modification	Date		

Total General Education Credits:	
(excluding NA)	

Definition of Terms:

*** Overlap:** An overlap course satisfies both a *Domains of Knowledge and Understanding* category and a major requirement. A maximum of 3 courses can overlap. Credit for an overlap course is only counted as part of General Education.

**** Embedded:** Embedded competencies are met through courses taken as part of the major, or another General Education category. Credit for an embedded course is not counted as part of the General Education program.

Shaded Lines with NA credits:

A shaded line indicates a course that also fills another requirement. Credits only count once, in the primary area. "NA" (not applicable) is marked for credit in the secondary area.

Italics:

Italics indicate a General Education course that fulfills two General Education categories (a double-dip). Credit is only counted once, for one category.

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Part II - Major Requirements

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CORE REQUIREMENTS

Course	Title	Credits	Grade	Sem/Yr
COMM 120	Introduction to Journalism	3		
COMM 130	Broadcast Writing	3		
COMM 134	Introduction to Communications	3		
COMM 207	Desktop Writing and Publishing	3		
COMM 219 or COMM 229	Television Journalism or Radio Journalism	3		
COMM 224	Advanced Journalism	3		
COMM 386 ¹	Journalism Internship (3-12 cr.)	3-12		
COMM 482	Seminar in Mass Communications	3		
ENGL 241	Survey of American Literature I	NA		
ENGL 242	Survey of American Literature II	3		
ENGL 261	Survey of British Literature I	3		
ENGL 262	Survey of British Literature II	3		
ENGL 467 or ENGL 377	Shakespeare or History of the English Language	3		

RELATED REQUIREMENTS

In addition, select **five** of the following for a total of **15** credits:

Course	Title	Credits	Grade	Sem/Yr
COMM 208	Newspaper Design and Production			
COMM 211	Sports Information			
COMM 212	Sports Writing			
COMM 217	Sports, Gambling & the Media			
COMM 230	Video Editing			
COMM 240	The Literature of Journalism			
COMM 245	Web & Multimedia Design			
COMM 252	Sports Broadcasting			
COMM 260	The Press in America			
COMM 288	Special Topics in Journalism			
COMM 301	Media, Sport & Culture			
COMM 310	Media Law			
COMM 320	TV & Society			
COMM 325	Journalistic Ethics			
COMM 350	Advanced Radio Prod. Mgmt.			
ENGL 216	The Athlete in Literature			
ENGL 301	Advanced Composition			
ENGL 302	Business & Technical Writing			
ENGL 303	Business & Prof. Speaking			
SOCI 420	Media & Society (pre-req: SOCI 101)			

¹COMM 120 and COMM 219 or 229 must be completed prior to beginning your internship. Students seeking an internship must consult with the internship supervisor the semester previous to the internship. Internships must be approved by the internship supervisor prior to registering for COMM 386.

Total Major Credits:
(excluding NA)

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Part III - Elective Courses and Programs (inclusive of courses comprising a Minor or Specialization)

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FREE ELECTIVES

Course	Title	Credits	Grade	Sem/Yr

Minor (optional): _____

MODIFICATIONS TO MAJOR REQUIREMENTS		
<i>An approved Request for Waiver or Substitution Form must be on file in the Office of the Registrar for each waiver or substitution.</i>		
Requirement	Modification	Date Filed

Course	Title	Credits	Grade	Sem/Yr

Total Elective Credits: (excluding NA)	
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