

EXPLANATORY NOTES – JRN

This academic worksheet is for students who entered the university in 2021. Students should complete their School Cores as soon as possible and then move onto Level 1, then Level 2, and Level 3. Conceptual courses can be taken in any order. Capstone courses are usually taken during your final semester.

ADVISING: It is recommended that you connect with a Hussman advisor at least once each semester. This is your go-to place for updated academic worksheets, etc. Appointments are recommended, <http://hussman.unc.edu/ug/student-services/academic-advising>.

CHOICE COURSE: Choose at least one MEJO elective course (3 HRS.). This course can be from any sub-plan (APR or JRN).

COURSE OFFERINGS: Not all MEJO courses may be offered every semester. **Courses offered in multiple categories in your major program can satisfy only one category.** For example, MEJO 581 will satisfy either Conceptual or Level 3, but not both.

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS: Must choose one of the following courses: POLI 100, POLI 130, POLI 150/PWAD 150, POLI 202, POLI 203, or POLI 205 (old POLI 101).

GPA: 2.0 or Higher GPA required in major and minor.

GRADES BELOW C: **A grade of C- in a MEJO course will not be counted in the minimum number of media and journalism credits required for graduation; the course must be retaken if it is required for the major. If it is not specifically required, then another course must be taken. REPEATED COURSES DO NOT EARN CREDIT TWICE.**

GRADUATION: In the last semester of your Junior year, you must connect with a Hussman academic advisor to make sure you are on track to graduate. **Degree audit appointments are required,** <http://hussman.unc.edu/ug/student-services/academic-advising>.

HONORS (H): Courses with an “H” designation have an Honors version available. An honors course fulfills the same requirements as the non-honors version of that course. Enrollment and GPA restrictions may apply.

INTERNSHIP CREDIT: MEJO 393 is for UNC Hussman students who already have an internship. MEJO 393 does not count toward the minimum 39 MEJO hours but does count toward the 120-hour UNC total. It is repeatable up to three times. For more information about MEJO 393, please contact [Hussman Career Services](#).

MEJO HOURS: Students must complete a minimum of 39 MEJO hours.

MEJO 691H & MEJO 692H: Honors theses. Eligibility is based on an overall GPA of 3.3 and a major GPA of 3.5 at the end of your junior year. For more information, speak with an advisor in the Hussman School.

OUTSIDE HOURS: Of the basic 120 hours for graduation, our students typically take 72-81 hours.

PHIL. REASONING (PH)/HUSSMAN PH: Must choose one of the following courses: MEJO 141, PHIL 160, PHIL 163, PHIL 170, or PHIL 272/PWAD 272.

SCHOOL CORES: It is recommended that students take MEJO 153 and MEJO 121 together. MEJO 153 is a prerequisite for many courses.

SECOND MAJORS: Students who wish to complete a second major outside of the school and who did not declare a second major before being admitted to the school must download a second-major form from the [school's website](#) and return it to an advisor in the Hussman School. Students must meet with an academic advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences to ensure that they can meet all requirements for the second major.

SPECIAL TOPICS: MEJO 390 and 490 course topics change by semester. **MEJO 390 may satisfy Level 2 when it is a JRN topic. MEJO 490 will always satisfy the Conceptual area and will satisfy Level 3 when listed as a JRN topic.** Please visit MJ.UNC.EDU/Courses for term-specific details.

TAR HEEL TRACKER: Not all courses will be listed in your Tar Heel Tracker. If you are missing a course from your Tar Heel Tracker follow these steps: Make a [Tar Heel Tracker Adjustment Appointment](#) with a UNC Hussman Advisor. <http://hussman.unc.edu/ug/student-services/academic-advising> OR you may utilize drop-in hours, found on our website as well.

TRANSFER HOURS: The school will normally accept only six credit hours of media and journalism courses taken at other institutions. The school typically does not accept transfer credit for MEJO 153. For more information, speak with a Hussman advisor.

USAGE AND GRAMMAR TEST (U&G): Students must achieve a passing score of at least 70 on the [U&G test](#) to graduate.