UCF Degree Programs

Radio - Television (B.A.)

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Admission Requirements
- The Radio-Television program is a limited access program that requires a separate application.
- Students should apply to become Radio-Television majors only after completing all requirements for admission.
- Attain an overall minimum 2.25/4.00 GPA based on a minimum of 30 credit hours of college work. Note: meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission since students are admitted on a space available basis. The GPA cut-off varies each term with the quality of applicants, and during previous years, ranged upward from a minimum of 2.9.
- Receive a positive evaluation of other factors specified by the Nicholson School of Communication.
- See an NSC advisor for additional admission criteria.
- For admission to the program, students must complete or be enrolled into and complete, RTV 3007 with at least a “C” (2.0) or better (if in progress at the time of admission, students who do not earn a “C” (2.0) or better will be removed from the program).
- Meet a grammar proficiency standard (“B” (3.0) grades or better in the following courses or pass the grammar proficiency exam).
  ENC 1101 Composition I 3 hrs
  ENC 1102 Composition II 3 hrs

Application Deadlines:
- October 1 to be admitted the next spring term;
- February 1 to be admitted the next summer term;
- June 1 to be admitted the next fall term.

Degree Requirements
- Must earn at least a “C” (2.0) or better in each core requirement and restricted elective in the major.
- Students who change degree programs (other than from Radio-TV Pending) and select this major must adopt the most current catalog.
- Students may complete an internship off campus in a professional broadcast, production, or corporate operation with advisor’s approval.
- Internship credit may be used in this major with prior school permission.
- Co-op credit may be used in this major with prior approval from an R-TV advisor.
- Students must consult with a school advisor.
- School residency requirement consists of at least 24 semester hours of regularly scheduled 3000-4000 level courses taken from the UCF Nicholson School of Communication.
- Of the 120 hours required for graduation, 80 hours must be taken outside of the disciplines represented within the Nicholson School of Communication.
- Of these 80 hours, 56 must be taken in the liberal arts (i.e. within the College of Arts & Humanities or the College of Sciences).
- To ensure completion within 120 hours and to comply with the 80 hour rule, no more than 40 (or 43 if a GEP speech class was taken at UCF) of the 120 hours may be earned within the Nicholson School of Communication. Radio-TV majors must select their required minor from outside the Nicholson School of Communication to remain below the 40 credit hour school maximum.

1. UCF General Education Program (GEP) (36 hrs)
- Communication Foundations (9 hrs)
  Required: ENC 1101 Composition I 3 hrs
  Required: ENC 1102 Composition II 3 hrs

Select 1: (3 hrs)
- Required: SPC 1608 Fundamentals of Oral Communication or
- Required: SPC 1603C Fundamentals of Technical Presentations

B: Cultural & Historical Foundations (9 hrs)
- Prefer AMH 2010 U.S. History: 1492-1877 3 hrs
- Select two courses from GEP B2 6 hrs

C: Mathematical Foundations (6 hrs)
- You may substitute a higher level math with appropriate scores on the Math Placement Test.
  Suggested MGF 1106 Finite Mathematics or
  Suggested MGF 1107 Explorations in Mathematics 3 hrs

Computer Science: (6 hrs)
- Required: CGS 2100C Computer Fundamentals for Business 3 hrs

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D: Social Foundations (6 hrs)
- Prefer POS 2041 American National Government 3 hrs
- Select a listed course 3 hrs

E: Science Foundations (6 hrs)
- None
- See “Common Prerequisites” in the Transfer and Transitions Services section for more information.

2. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP)
- None

3. Core Requirements: Basic Level (15 hrs)
- These courses may be taken before applying to the major.
  - Must earn at least a “C” (2.0) or better in each core requirement and restricted elective in the major.
  - Of these 80 hours, 56 must be taken in the liberal arts (i.e. within the College of Arts & Humanities or the College of Sciences).
  - To ensure completion within 120 hours and to comply with the 80 hour rule, no more than 40 (or 43 if a GEP speech class was taken at UCF) of the 120 hours may be earned within the Nicholson School of Communication. Radio-TV majors must select their required minor from outside the Nicholson School of Communication to remain below the 40 credit hour school maximum.

4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level (3 hrs)
- These courses are only available to students who have been accepted into the major.
  - Reminder: must earn at least a “C” (2.0) for all core requirements and restricted electives in the major.
  - RTV 2100 Writing for the Electronic Media 3 hrs
5. Restricted Electives

- Specialization: Select one area and complete the credit hours required by that specialization.
- Must earn at least a “C” (2.0) or better in each core requirement and restricted elective in the major.

### A. Production

- Select from the following: 18 hrs
- RTV 356C Audio Production I or 3 hrs
- RTV 3543C Studio Television Production or 4 hrs
- RTV 3581C Lighting for Video or 3 hrs
- RTV 3531C Single Camera Video Production and Editing or 4 hrs
- RTV 3571C Advanced Video Post-Production or 3 hrs
- RTV 3590C Production of Interactive Multimedia or 3 hrs
- RTV 4557C Audio Production II or 3 hrs
- RTV 4591C Webcasting I or 3 hrs
- RTV 4592C Webcasting II or 3 hrs
- RTV 4673C Television Directing or 3 hrs
- RTV 4561C Radio Production and Programming or 3 hrs
- 1 RTV 3942L Practicum or 1 hr
- 1 RTV 4941 Internship or 1 hr

1 May be taken for a maximum of 3 hours.

### B. Broadcast Generalist

- Select from the following: 18 hrs
- ADV 4103 Radio-Television Advertising or 3 hrs
- JOU 3015 Principles of Journalism or 3 hrs
- COM 3330 Computer Mediated Communication or 3 hrs
- MMC 4263 New Media Technologies or 3 hrs
- RTV 3601C Broadcast Announcing and Performance or 3 hrs
- RTV 3590C Production of Interactive Multimedia or 3 hrs
- RTV 4551C Radio Production and Programming or 3 hrs
- RTV 4700 Regulation of Broadcasting or 3 hrs
- RTV 4800 Broadcast Management or 3 hrs
- 1 RTV 4941 Internship or 1 hr

Select from the following: 6 hrs

- ADV 3008 Principles of Advertising or 3 hrs
- COM 3110 Business and Professional Communication or 3 hrs
- MMC 3630 Social Media as Mass Communication or 3 hrs
- PUR 4000 Public Relations or 3 hrs
- RTV 4503 Sports Programming in Electronic Media or 3 hrs

1 May be taken for a maximum of 3 hours.

6. Capstone Requirements

- None

7. Foreign Language Requirements

- None

Admissions

- Met by graduation requirement.

Graduation

- Proficiency equivalent to one year of college instruction in a foreign language taught by the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures or Judaic Studies. Standardized examinations for foreign languages may be used to meet the requirement.
- Eight credits of American Sign Language (ASL) can satisfy this requirement for students graduating under this catalog; however it will not count toward the 56 hour Liberal Arts requirement. Consult with the NSC advising staff to understand how choosing ASL impacts hours needed to graduate.

8. Electives

- Select primarily from upper level courses, with school advisor’s approval. Must be from outside of the school in order to not exceed the 40 credit hour cap. The majority of electives should be taken in the Liberal Arts to comply with the 56 hour Liberal Arts requirement.

9. Additional Requirements

- None

10. Required Minors

- Radio-Television majors must complete a minor of at least 18 hours in an academic area outside the Nicholson School of Communication.
- The following minors are suggested to complement the R-TV major, but any minor except those in the Nicholson School of Communication, may be taken:
  - Digital Media
  - Film - Cinema Studies
  - English - Writing
  - Political Science
  - Sociology
  - Theatre

11. Departmental Exit Requirements

- To avoid delaying graduation, you must request a review of requirements before registering for your last term.
- Achieve a “C” (2.0) or better average GPA in Nicholson School of Communication courses used to satisfy the major.

12. University Minimum Exit Requirements

- A 2.0 UCF GPA
- 60 semester hours earned after CLEP awarded
- 48 semester hours of upper division credit completed
- 30 of the last 39 hours of course work must be completed in residency at UCF.
- A maximum of 45 hours of extension, correspondence, CLEP, Credit by Exam, and Armed Forces credits permitted.
- Complete the General Education Program, the Gordon Rule, and nine hours of Summer credit.

Total Semester Hours Required

- 120

Honors in Major

- None

Related Programs

- Advertising-Public Relations
- Digital Media
- Digital Media - Web Design Track
- Digital Media - Visual Language Track
- Film
- Journalism
- Theatre

Certificates

- None

Related Minors

- NOTE: Minors taught within the Nicholson School of Communication are not open to R-TV majors.
- Digital Media
- Film - Cinema Studies
- Marketing
- Theatre

Advising Notes

- None

Transfer Notes

- Lower division courses do not substitute for upper division courses.
- Courses transferred from private out-of-state schools must be evaluated for equivalency credit. The student must provide all supporting information.

Acceptable Substitutes for Transfer Courses

- None

Plan of Study

- This is one of numerous possible plans of study. See program description for all requirements.
- Consult a school advisor for alternate, new, or more appropriate selections.
- Consult the school for detailed plans of study for each specialization.
- Although most classes are listed as being taken during the academic year, you may be required to complete 9 hours of them during the Summer. Consult with an advisor to determine if you are exempt.
### Freshman Year - Fall
- ENC 1101  Composition I  3 hrs
- GEP-Math  3 hrs
- GEP  3 hrs
- Foreign Language  4 hrs

### Freshman Year - Spring
- ENC 1102  Composition II  3 hrs
- SPC 1608  Fundamentals of Oral Communication  3 hrs
- 1 CGS 2100C  Computer Fundamentals for Business  3 hrs
- Foreign Language  4 hrs

1 See alternatives

### Sophomore Year - Fall
- GEP  3 hrs
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- Elective-Minor  3 hrs

### Sophomore Year - Spring
- Apply for admission by Feb 1
- RTV 3007  Development and Structure of Electronic Media and New Technology  3 hrs
- GEP  3 hrs
- GEP  3 hrs
- Elective-outside of NSC  3 hrs
- Elective-minor  3 hrs

### Junior Year - Fall
- If admitted, take...
- RTV 3511  Production Fundamentals and Aesthetics of Electronic Media  3 hrs
- RTV 2100  Writing for the Electronic Media  3 hrs
- MMC 3200  Mass Communication Law  3 hrs
- Elective-minor  3 hrs
- Elective-outside of NSC  3 hrs

### Junior Year - Spring
- RTV 4403  Electronic Media, Technology, and Society  3 hrs
- MMC 3420  Mass Media Research Methods  3 hrs
- Restricted Elective  3 hrs
- Restricted Elective  3 hrs
- Elective-Minor  3 hrs

### Junior Year - Summer
- Restricted Elective-Internship  3 hrs

### Senior Year - Fall
- Restricted Elective  3 hrs
- Restricted Elective  3 hrs
- Elective-Minor  3 hrs
- Elective-outside of NSC  3 hrs
- Elective-outside of NSC  3 hrs

### Senior Year - Spring
- Restricted Elective  3 hrs
- Restricted Elective, or -Elective-Outside of NSC  4 hrs
- Elective-Minor  3 hrs
- Elective-Minor  3 hrs
- Elective-outside of NSC  3 hrs

### Program Academic Learning Compacts
- Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at: http://www.oelas.ucf.edu/academiclearningcompacts.html

### Equipment Fees
- Part-Time Student: $45 per term
- Full-Time Student: $90 per term