

Bachelor of Communication/ Bachelor of Journalism (BCommun/BJ) Completion Planner



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Overview

From 2026, the Bachelor of Communication/Bachelor of Journalism (BCommun/BJ) dual program has undergone some changes to the BJ Core Courses and BJ Program Elective Courses.

As a continuing BCommun/BJ dual student please be assured that you will be able to complete your program requirements. To assist you, the BCommun/BJ Completion Planner has been designed to guide you in planning your remaining courses.

Important Information

- Review your studies report and tick off the courses you have completed. If you have not completed a compulsory course and this course is no longer offered, see the advice for alternatives below.
- Discontinued courses are marked in *red italic*.
- New courses are marked in **purple bold**.
- Some courses are marked Inc = Incompatible course. If you have completed one course, you cannot complete the incompatible course as they are too similar in content.
- Courses that have not had any changes will not have any transition notes on the planner.
- This information should be read in conjunction with the program requirements for the **BCommun/BJ**.

Still have questions?

Students are responsible for ensuring that they have complied with the rules relating to their program and have completed sufficient units to meet graduation requirements. Program planning advice is not binding on the Faculty of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences or The University of Queensland.

If you would like a Faculty Student Administration staff member to check your BCommun/BJ dual program planner, please email it to hass@uq.edu.au from your UQ student email address. We recommend that you request a **progression check** from the Faculty Student Administration team **two semesters before your planned graduation**. This will help ensure you are on track to complete all program requirements.

If you require assistance completing your BCommun/BJ dual program planner or have concerns about meeting program requirements, please contact the **HASS Faculty Student Administration team** or you can book an Advising appointment with a team member via the **Student Hub**.

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Bachelor of Communication/Bachelor of Journalism (BCommun/BJ)

Complete **64 units** comprising:

- **32 units** for all BCommun/BJ Core Courses, and
- **8 units** for BJ Program Elective Courses, and
- **16 units** for one Major from the BCommun Majors; and
- **8 units** for the BCommun Program Elective Courses

BCommun/BJ Core Courses

Complete **32 units** for **ALL** of the following –

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU1052	Introduction to Strategic Communication	
COMU1120	Media and Society	
COMU1130	Data and Society	
COMU1140	Multimedia	
JOUR1112	Journalistic Narratives	<i>Course Title Change: News Practice</i>
JOUR1710 (Inc JOUR2720)	Journalistic Investigation	If you have completed JOUR1710 it still counts as a BJ Core Course, if you have not completed JOUR1710 you can replace this course with: JOUR2720 Journalistic Investigation (Semester 2)
WRIT1200	Writing Creatively	
COMU2030	Communication Research Methods	
COMU2120	Media Design	
COMU2160	Communication Law and Ethics	
JOUR2221	International Journalism & Mass Communication	
WRIT2000	Writing & Editing for the Professions	
COMU3150	Social Media Communication	
JOUR3000	Data Journalism	
JOUR3100	Social Justice Storytelling	<i>Course Title Change: Civic Journalism</i>
JOUR3401	Journalism Project	

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BJ Program Elective Courses

Complete **8 units** comprising:

2 units to **6 units** from the BJ Program Elective Courses (Section 1) –

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
BJ Flexible Core Courses (Section 1)		
JOUR1001	Audio Journalism	New course for 2026 and can be completed as a BJ Program Elective Course if the student has room in their BJ Program Flexible program requirements
COMU1050	Understanding the News	
COMU2140	Digital Media Industries	
COMU2170	Intercultural Communication	
JOUR2000 (Inc JOUR2001)	Broadcast Journalism	If you have completed JOUR2000 it still counts as a BJ Flexible Core Course, if you have not completed JOUR2000 you can replace this course with: JOUR2001 Video Journalism (Semester 1)

2 units to **6 units** from the BJ Program Elective Courses (Section 2) –

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
BJ Flexible Core Courses (Section 2)		
JOUR3122	Field Study - Journalism & Communication	
JOUR3222	Journalism Design	
JOUR3801	Journalism Internship	If you have completed JOUR3801 it still counts as a BJ Flexible Core Course, if you have not completed JOUR3801 you can replace this course with COMU3801 Communication Internship

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BCommun Majors

Complete **16 units** for one Major comprising:

- 16 units for Digital Media Major, or
- 16 units for Public Relations Major

BCommun Digital Media Major

Complete **16 units** comprising:

- **8 units** for all Digital Media Major Compulsory Courses, and
- **8 units** from Digital Media Major Elective Courses

Digital Media Major Compulsory Courses

Complete **8 units** for ALL of the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU2140	Digital Media Industries	
COMU3100	Digital Project	
COMU3110	Media Platforms	
COMU3120	Digital Analytics	

Digital Media Major Elective Courses

Complete **8 units** from the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU1050	Understanding the News	
MSTU1001	Introduction to Film & Television Studies	
COMU2150	Media and Identity	
COMU2311	Communication for Social Change	
MSTU2008	Television in the Age of Streaming	
COMU3222	Political Communication	
COMU3801	Communication Internship	

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BCommun Public Relations Major

Complete **16 units** comprising:

- **10 units** for all Public Relations Major Compulsory Courses, and
- **6 units** from Public Relations Major Elective Courses

Public Relations Major Compulsory Courses

Complete **10 units** for ALL of the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU1152	Public Relations Writing	
COMU2180	Media Strategies	
COMU3015	Public Interest Communication	
COMU3130	Public Relations Project	
COMU3140	Issues and Stakeholder Engagement	

Public Relations Major Elective Courses

Complete **6 units** from the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU1050	Understanding the News	
COMU2170	Intercultural Communication	
COMU2311	Communication for Social Change	
COMU3222	Political Communication	
COMU3801	Communication Internship	

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BCommun Program Elective Courses

Complete **8 units** for one of the following:

- 8 units for one Minor from the BCommun Minors, or
- 8 units for BCommun Program Electives Courses Options

BCommun Digital Media Minor

Digital Media Minor Compulsory Courses

Complete **8 units** for ALL of the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU2140	Digital Media Industries	
COMU3100	Digital Project	
COMU3110	Media Platforms	
COMU3120	Digital Analytics	

BCommun Interaction Design Minor

Interaction Design Elective Courses

Complete exactly **8 units** from the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
DECO1100	Design Thinking	
DECO1400	Introduction to Web Design	
DECO2200	Information Visualisation	
DECO2300	Digital Prototyping and Extended Reality	
DECO2500	Human-Computer Interaction	
DECO3500	Social and Mobile Computing	

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BCommun Public Relations Minor

Public Relations Minor Compulsory Course

Complete **2 units** for ALL of the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU1152	Public Relations Writing	

Public Relations Minor Elective Courses

Complete **6 units** from the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
COMU2180	Media Strategies	
COMU3015	Public Interest Communication	
COMU3130	Public Relations Project	
COMU3140	Issues and Stakeholder Engagement	

BCommun Writing Minor

Writing Minor Compulsory Course

Complete **4 units** for ALL of the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
WRIT1005	Fundamentals of Academic Writing	
WRIT1110	Creative Writing: Narrative Fiction	

Writing Minor Elective Courses

Complete **4 units** from the following:

Course Code	Course Title	Completion Notes
WRIT2120	Creative Writing: Screenwriting	
WRIT3050	Writing Creative Non-Fiction	
WRIT3700	Publishing, Editing, and Authorship	

Additional Rules

1. Cross-listed Courses

As a course can only be credited once, the following course replacement rules apply where a course is listed in more than one of your selected plans (minor, major or extended major).

- If the course is compulsory in more than one plan, it will be credited towards one plan only. You must replace the compulsory course in the second plan, with a course chosen from the second plan, at the same level or higher.
- If the course is compulsory in one plan only, it will be credited towards the plan in which it is compulsory. You must select the alternative course in the second plan, with a course chosen from the second plan, at the same level or higher.
- If the course is an elective in more than one plan, it will be credited towards one plan only.