## Kean-Ocean Suggested Curriculum BA Communication

*Courses in Bold are essential for transfer* 

## Digital Mass Media – Option in Journalism - A.A. Degree Program Effective Catalog Year: <u>2020-2021</u>

The A.A. degree in Digital Mass Media offers students the first two years of courses and fieldwork which allow students to transfer into a baccalaureate program or to seek immediate employment. The program prepares for a variety of production or writing positions at newspapers and magazines (print and online), radio and television stations (and their associated Web sites), cable systems, video production companies and other production facilities. The program also prepares students for careers as publicity writers for public relations firms, advertising agencies, businesses, and organizations. The curriculum gives students hands-on writing, production, and programming experience at the College radio station, television station, video editing/post production lab, literary magazine, and the print and online versions of the college newspaper. Students also gain experience in blogs, podcasts and other new media used by both professional and citizen journalists.

FIRST SEMESTER		
ENGL 151	English I	3 cr.
MATH 151	Survey of Mathematics or higher	3 cr.
COMM 151	Media Writing I	3 cr.
COMM 154	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3 cr.
STSC 150	Student Success Seminar	2 cr.
		14 cr.
SECOND SEMESTER		
ENGL 152	English II	3 cr.
COMM 281	Mass Communications	3 cr.
GHIS	Any History course from the list of Approved	3 cr.
	General Education Courses.	
Literature	Literature course from the Humanities General	3 cr.
	Education Courses.	
GSCL	Any Lab Science course from the list of Approved	4 cr.
	General Education Courses.	
		16 cr.
THIRD SEMESTER		T
<i>COMM 172</i>	Communication Law	3 cr.
GDIV	Any Diversity course from the list of Approved General Education Courses.	3 cr.
GHUM	Any Humanities course from the list of Approved General Education Courses.	3 cr.
GSCL	Any Lab Science course from the list of Approved General Education Courses.	4 cr.
GSOC	Any Social Science course from the list of Approved General Education Courses.	3 cr.
		16 cr.
FOURTH SEMESTER		•
COEM 284	Broadcast News Production	3 cr.
GHIS	Any History course from the list of Approved	3 cr.

	General Education Courses.	
GHUM	Any Humanities course from the list of Approved	3 cr.
	General Education Courses.	
GSOC	Any Social Science course from the list of	3 cr.
	Approved General Education Courses.	
CSIT 110	Introductions to Computers	3 cr.
		15 cr.
Total Credits: 61 cr.		
Notes <sup>.</sup>		

\* Students must select one math course, one lab science course, and one technology course and complete the 12-credit requirement with any additional math or science course from the list of Approved General Education Courses. Students may attempt to "test out" of the technology requirement. If they succeed, they must take an additional course in math or science from the List of Approved General Education Courses.

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