

JOURNALISM STUDIES (JOST)

Graduate Degree Program
College: Journalism

abstract

Maryland's elite Ph.D. in Journalism Studies (<http://merrill.umd.edu/academics/phd-program/>) prepares scholars for next-generation research in the key issues confronting journalism in the 21st century.

- The program features small classes and a high level of collaboration with professors (<http://merrill.umd.edu/academics/phd-program/phd-faculty/>). Work focuses on the analysis of journalism practice and ethics, media history, gender and media, international media, as well as in emerging technology and the audience.
- With an emphasis on helping journalists translate career experience into research expertise, the program is highly successful (<http://merrill.umd.edu/academics/phd-program/ph-d-positions/>) at placing its doctoral graduates into teaching and research posts in higher education.

If you are seeking a master's degree to provide you with the fundamentals of journalism for a professional career, please see the Journalism (JOMJ) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/journalism-jomj/>) degree. If you are an experienced journalist looking for a research-focused master's degree, go to Journalism (JOUR) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/journalism-jour/>); If you're seeking a graduate journalism multimedia certificate, go to Multimedia Journalism (Z071) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/multimedia-journalism-z071/>).

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Courses: JOUR (<https://umd-curr.courseleaf.com/graduate/courses/jour/>)

ADMISSIONS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Statement of Purpose
- Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/>))

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- CV/Resume
- Writing Samples (academic work; one required, up to two more optional)
- Supplementary Application (optional, contact dept. for details)

Application Deadlines

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline
Domestic Applicants	
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	January 15, 2027
International Applicants	
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A, E, G, H, I and L visas and immigrants	January 15, 2027

Other Deadlines: Please visit the program website at <http://www.merrill.umd.edu>

REQUIREMENTS

- Journalism Studies, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/journalism-jost/journalism-phd/>)