

Journalism and Mass Communication, BA

Honors

Honors in the Major

Students majoring in journalism and mass communication have the opportunity to graduate with honors in the major. Students in the school's honors program must have a grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.50 in work for the major and a UI cumulative GPA of at least 3.33. To graduate with honors in the major, they complete JMC:4955 Honors Project, earning 3 s.h. of credit in work guided by a faculty member. The honors project may be a thesis or a professional project and typically is completed during the last semester of the senior year.

National Honor Society

The school's chapter of Kappa Tau Alpha, the national society honoring scholarship in journalism and mass communication, was founded in 1936 and is named for former director Leslie G. Moeller. Students are considered for membership if their GPA places them in the top 10% of their class and they have completed at least five semesters of university work, including a minimum of 9 s.h. in journalism and mass communication skills courses. Contact the school's Kappa Tau Alpha advisor for details.

University of Iowa Honors Program

In addition to honors in the major, students have opportunities for honors study and activities through membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program. Visit Honors at Iowa to learn about the university's honors program.

Membership in the UI Honors Program is not required to earn honors in the journalism and mass communication major.

All majors with a UI cumulative GPA of at least 3.33 are encouraged to take any journalism and mass communication course for honors credit and to make use of other honors opportunities in the school. Visit Honors in Journalism on the school's website or contact the school's honors advisor for details.