

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BILINGUAL SPANISH JOURNALISM

The Bilingual Spanish Journalism degree prepares students to work in multiple markets that serve Latinx communities. It values and reinforces their cultural and language heritage by giving them tools and skills to report, investigate, produce and write news stories in Spanish and English for print, online and electronic media. Students take classes in the Spanish, International Relations, Latino/Latina Studies, BECA and Journalism departments so that they understand the complexity of the Latino/Latina community in the United States and the rest of the Spanish-speaking world. By having a degree in bilingual Spanish journalism graduates will be attractive to bilingual publications, mainstream Latinx media, and English language publications covering issues affecting Latino/Latina communities.

Entering students must be proficient in speaking and writing Spanish. Applicants are required to take an online writing test provided through iLearn and based on the current Spanish program placement test.

## Bilingual Spanish Journalism (B.A) – 46 units Core (31 units)

Code	Title	Units
BECA 560	Radio and Television News Writing	3
JOUR/SPAN 223	Bilingual English and Spanish Newswriting	3
JOUR/SPAN 224	Newswriting Lab in Spanish	1
JOUR 226	Digital News Gathering	3
JOUR 300GW	Reporting - GVAR	3
JOUR 307	News Media Law	3
JOUR 310	Journalism Ethics	3
JOUR/SPAN 323	Editing and Translation for Bilingual Spanish Journalism	3
SPAN 215	Spanish for Heritage Speakers	3
SPAN 301	Advanced Grammar	3
SPAN 305	Advanced Composition	3

## Cluster Electives (9 units)

Select one course from each category:

Code	Title	Units
<b>Writing (3 units)</b>		<b>3</b>
JOUR 575	Community Media	
<b>Audio/Visual Requirement (3 units)</b>		<b>3</b>
BECA 241	TV Studio Basics	
JOUR 395	Online Journalism	
JOUR 400	Multimedia Journalism	
<b>Audio/Visual Elective (3 units)</b>		<b>3</b>
BECA 348	Video Editing I	
BECA 561	News Reporting for Television	
JOUR 235	Photojournalism I	
JOUR 335	Photojournalism II	

JOUR 395	Online Journalism
JOUR 400	Multimedia Journalism

## Practicum (3 units)

Code	Title	Units
JOUR 617	Advanced Journalism Internship	3

## Capstone (3-4 units)

Select one:

Code	Title	Units
BECA 660	Television Center News	4
JOUR 695	Senior Seminar	3

## Complementary Studies

Required of all candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Bilingual Spanish Journalism are 12 units of Complementary Studies, which must come from courses bearing a prefix other than JOUR, and not cross-listed with JOUR. Complementary Studies courses must come from the following course list and include at least 6 units of SPAN.

Code	Title	Units
I R 306	U.S.-Central American Relations	4
I R/PLSI 322	Latin American Policy Analysis	4
I R/PLSI 362	Domestic & Transnational Sources of U.S. Foreign Policy	4
I R 453	Women and Media in International Relations	4
I R/PLSI 459	Refugees in Global Perspective	4
I R 734	International Migration	3
LTNS/HIST 278	History of Latinos in the U.S.	3
LTNS 286	Policy Making and Latinos	3
LTNS 315	Latina/os in California	3
LTNS 430/ C J 435	Race, Crime, and Justice	3
LTNS 460	Central Americans of the U.S.: History and Heritage	3
LTNS 465	Mexican American and Chicana/x/o History	3
LTNS 467	Caribbeans in the U.S.: History and Heritage	3
LTNS 470	Latina/o Immigration to the U.S.	3
LTNS/C J 485	Latina/o Youth, Crime, and Justice	3
SPAN 305	Advanced Composition	3
SPAN 306	Advanced Reading and Conversation	3
SPAN 350	Introduction to Translation (Spanish to English)	3
SPAN 371GW	History and Development of the Spanish Language - GVAR	3
SPAN 401	Culture and Civilization of Spain	3
SPAN 405	Culture and Civilization of Spanish America	3
SPAN 880	Seminar in Individual Authors or Works	3
SPAN 868	Contemporary Literature from a Transatlantic Approach	3

## First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)

1. In order to choose your English Composition A2 course and your QR/Math B4 course, please complete the online advising activities at [writingadvising.sfsu.edu](https://writingadvising.sfsu.edu) (<https://writingadvising.sfsu.edu/>) and

mathadvising.sfsu.edu (<https://mathadvising.sfsu.edu/>). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start. (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/>)

2. Select the row that matches your English course choice for A2.\*
3. Select the column that matches your QR/Math course choice for B4.
4. Click the Roadmap that lines up with your row and column.

For example, if you select ENG 104/ENG 105 and a multi-semester QR/math sequence for your first year, then choose Roadmap D.

Course Choice	One-Semester Course	Two-Semester Sequence or Support Course
ENG 114	Roadmap A ( <a href="http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-i-ii-eng/">http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-i-ii-eng/</a> )	Roadmap C ( <a href="http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-iii-iv-eng/">http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-iii-iv-eng/</a> )
ENG 104/ENG 105	Roadmap B ( <a href="http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-i-ii-stretch/">http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-i-ii-stretch/</a> )	Roadmap D ( <a href="http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-iii-iv-stretch/">http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/journalism/ba-bilingual-spanish-journalism/roadmap-iii-iv-stretch/</a> )

\* Composition for Multilingual Students: If taking ENG 209 as your first English course, choose the ENG 114 row. If taking ENG 201 or ENG 212 for your first English course, choose the ENG 104/ENG 105 row.

## General Advising Information for Transfer Students

1. Before transfer, complete as many lower-division requirements or electives for this major as possible.
2. The following courses are not required for admission but are required for graduation. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these units before transfer; doing so will provide more flexibility in course selection after transfer.
  - a course in U.S. History
  - a course in U.S. & California Government

For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and (2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit <http://www.assist.org> (<http://assist.org>). Check any geographically accessible CCCs; sometimes options include more than one college. Use ASSIST to determine:

- Which courses at a CCC satisfy any lower-division major requirements for this major;
- Which courses at a CCC satisfy CSU GE, US History, and US & CA Government requirements.

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum 60 semester units/90 quarter units required for admission.

Additional units for courses that are repeated do not apply to the minimum 60 units required for upper-division transfer (for example, if a course was not passed on the first attempt or was taken to earn a better grade).

Before leaving the last California Community College of attendance, obtain a summary of completion of lower-division General Education units (IGETC or CSU GE Breadth). This is often referred to as a GE certification worksheet. SF State does not require delivery of this certification to Admissions, but students should retain this document for verifying degree progress after transfer.

Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College-Level Examination Program courses: AP/IB/CLEP credit is not automatically transferred from the previous institution. Units are transferred only when an official score report is delivered to SF State. Credit is based on the academic year during which exams were taken. Refer to the University Bulletin in effect during the year of AP/IB/CLEP examination(s) for details regarding the award of credit for AP/IB/CLEP.

Students pursuing majors in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines often defer 6-9 units of lower-division General Education in Areas C and D until after transfer to focus on preparation courses for the major. This advice does not apply to students pursuing associate degree completion before transfer.

## Transferring From Institutions Other Than CCCs or CSUs

Review SF State's lower-division General Education requirements. Note that, as described below, the four basic skills courses required for admission meet A1, A2, A3, and B4 in the SF State GE pattern. Courses that fulfill the remaining areas of SF State's lower-division GE pattern are available at most two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Of the four required basic skills courses, a course in critical thinking (A3) may not be widely offered outside the CCC and CSU systems. Students should attempt to identify and take an appropriate course no later than the term of application to the CSU. To review more information about the A3 requirement, please visit [bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AAEL](http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AAEL).

Waiting until after transfer to take a single course at SF State that meets both US and CA/local government requirements may be an appropriate option, particularly if transferring from outside of California.

## All Students Must Meet the Transfer Eligibility Requirements Outlined Below for Admission.

For more information, visit the Undergraduate Admissions section (<http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/>).

- Complete 60 or more transferable semester units or 90 or more quarter units.
- Earn a college grade point average of 2.0 or better in all transferable courses. Non-local area residents may be held to a higher GPA standard.
- Be in good standing at the last college or university attended.
- Complete 30-semester units (45-quarter units) of General Education, including four basic skills courses:
  - a. One course in oral communication (same as CSU GE Area A1)
  - b. One course in written composition (same as CSU GE Area A2)
  - c. One course in critical thinking (same as CSU GE Area A3)
  - d. One course in mathematics or quantitative reasoning (same as CSU GE Area B4)
- The four basic skills courses and a minimum of 60 transferable semester units (90-quarter units) must be completed by the spring

semester prior to fall admission, or by the fall semester prior to spring admission. Earn a C- or better grade in each basic skills course.