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About your course

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<td>MA Journalism and Media Communications</td>
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You can find full details of your course in the *Programme Specification*.

Important points

- The MA Journalism and Media Communications incorporates both the business-facing and the international outlook of the University of Hertfordshire as a whole. Our aim is to produce graduates who can demonstrate intellectual and professional flexibility, critical thinking, intercultural awareness and practical skills to equip them for life in the complex global media industries.

- The key aim of the MA is to combine theory and practice and develop synergies between different fields of media communications, such as journalism (especially sports and magazine), PR and social media communication.

- The MA programme in Journalism and Media Communications offers lots of flexibility, with three different routes (standard 1-year option and the 2-year 'Sandwich' and 'With Advanced Research' options) and different journalism modules to choose from.

- Work-based learning plays an important role in the MA Journalism and Media Communications as students have the opportunity to opt for a short work placement as their final project or add a full placement year.*

- The diverse and international student cohort on our programme not only helps to strengthen the diversity of our community but also contributes to the *global perspective in the curriculum* as case studies from around the world are a key part of many of our modules.

- As a conversion course, this course is suitable for both students that have previously studied media and/or journalism and those coming from different areas of study.

Academic Year

*Academic Year 2020 - 2021*

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters. For most undergraduate students the academic year is split into two Semesters (A & B). Each of these is made up of teaching weeks followed by exams (the re-sit period falls within Semester C)
Semester A runs from Monday 21 September 2020 to Friday 15 January 2021

Semester B runs from Monday 18 January 2021 to Friday 21 May 2021

Semester C runs from Monday 24 May 2021 to Friday 17 September 2021

* PLEASE NOTE: due to the Covid-19 pandemic UH has introduced more flexibility for placements but it may be more difficult than usual to obtain a one-year placement. If a placement is not possible, students will be able to pursue the Advanced Research route. This combines a practical media project with a practice-based advanced research module and a journalism option.

Additional expenses

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<td>Books (print and digital)</td>
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No additional expenses have been specified for this course.