

## How to Use this Guide

This guide is meant to offer advice on courses to take in the first year of college in order to progress towards a degree for new students at UNC Asheville, or their advisors. Completing a degree will require completion of both the Integrative Liberal Studies (ILS) curriculum as well as major requirements set by the department you choose to declare a major in.

Please [read the general plan first](#). This has information on 100-level requirements for ILS. Then you may review the section on your intended major. Designing your first-year plan will likely consist of beginning with the recommendations under your major, and then adding any and all ILS courses that you feel comfortable taking in your first year.

### Mass Communication

- A major in Mass Communication requires students to take a 24-hour core set of courses and one of four 16-hour concentrations.
- The core courses begin with MCOM 104: Media, Ethics, and Society (3) and continues with MCOM 201: Newswriting (4).
- MCOM 201 requires LANG 120 as a prerequisite, so students intending to major in Mass Communications should take LANG 120 in their first semester.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester: 10

(IT) LSIC 179: LS Intro Colloq (3)  
(IT) LANG 120: Intro to Acad Writ (4)  
(MT) MCOM 104: Media, Ethics, &  
Society (3)

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester: 4

(MT) MCOM 201: Newswriting (4)