

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**

Substantive Program Modification Form

UNIVERSITY:	SDSU
CURRENT PROGRAM TITLE:	Communication Studies and Journalism (M.A.) – Communication Studies Specialization – Journalism Specialization
CIP CODE:	09.0499
UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:	School of Communication & Journalism
UNIVERSITY DIVISION:	Graduate School

University Approval

To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.

Dennis D. Hedge

3/27/2019

Vice President of Academic Affairs or
President of the University

Date

1. This modification addresses a change in:

Total credits required within the discipline

Total credits of supportive course work

Total credits of elective course work

Total credits required for program

Program name

Existing specialization

CIP Code

Other (explain below)

– Remove Specializations

– Additional Admission Requirements

2. Effective date of change: 2019-2020 Academic Year

3. Program Degree Level: Associate Bachelor's Master's

Pref	Num	Existing Curriculum	Proposed Curriculum (Highlight Changes)
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IELTS: Department requirement of 7.0

Prerequisite of a minimum of 20 semester hours of undergraduate credit in Speech, Theatre, Journalism, or Communication. Other undergraduate programs *may* qualify.

To be considered for graduate admission, our department requires: a 1-page personal statement, a 5-page academic writing sample (include the References page, which does not count toward the 5-page limit), and three letters of recommendation (through the online application system) written by academic faculty or supervisors that address: 1) the ability and preparation of the student for graduate level work, and 2)

- < A minimum GPA of 3.0.
- < A professional academic transcript evaluation for degrees earned outside the United States. (This requirement cannot be waived unless your highest degree was earned or will be earned in

