CROWDER COLLEGE

Associate of Arts Degree JOURNALISM AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

The journalism degree includes hands-on opportunities for students in print, audio, video, website, and social media. A photography studio, multi-media recording studio, and a print newsroom provide practice with software, hardware, and equipment used in the field.

The department boasts two publications – the *Crowder Sentry* newspaper and the *Crowder Quill* literary art magazine – both of which have won prestigious awards. In 2014, the *Quill* was named "Best Community College Literary-Art Magazine" from a national organization, and the *Crowder Sentry* earned "Best Overall Community College Newspaper in Missouri" by the Missouri Press Association.

Scholarships are available to students through participation in publications and productions. Crowder also provides A+ tuition assistance for graduates from participating high schools. In addition, for the *Crowder Quill* literary-art magazine, the 1st place (gold) winners in each category of the high school division win a one-time \$500 scholarship to Crowder College, contingent upon enrolling in a specified, related course. The deadline each year is around Feb. 1, and entry information is available online at www.CrowderQuill.com.

Crowder offers basic course work and experience through publications and hands-on activities. Transfer to a four-year college is recommended. For those seeking a job directly after graduating, the internship in the selected career field is recommended.

Potential Careers

- Mass Media (newspaper, radio, TV, magazines)
- Internet Publications
- Public Relations
- Advertising, Marketing
- Human Resources

Salary

For salary and wage information, visit missourieconomy.org or bls.gov

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The Crowder Sentry www.CrowderSentry.com

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SUGGESTED PLAN OF STUDY



FIRST YEAR		SECOND YEAR	
First Semester (fall)COLL101College OrientationCOMM102Intro to Public RelationsCOMM150Intro to JournalismENGL101English Composition	1 3 3 3	Third Semester (fall) BIOL 101 Biology COMM 111 Magazine Production HIST 106 – OR – PLSC 103 Approved Literature Course	5 3 3 3
SPCH 101 Fundamentals of Speech Approved Mathematics Course TOTAL HOURS	3 3 16	Approved Enterature Course Approved Physical Education Activity TOTAL HOURS	1 15
Second Semester (spring) COMM 101 Intro to Mass Communication COMM 151 News/Feature Writing ENGL 102 Advanced English Comp Approved Fine Arts Course Approved Soc & Behavioral Science Elective TOTAL HOURS	3 3 3 3 3 15	Fourth Semester (spring) Approved Humanities Course Approved Journalism Elective Approved Physical Education Activity Approved Physical Science Course Approved Soc & Behavioral Science Course TOTAL HOURS	3 3 1 5 3 15

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED 61

This Suggested Plan of Study is based on course offerings at the Neosho campus and online. Adjustments in scheduling may need to be made based on other campus course offerings. This is just one possible plan. The length of time to complete the program may vary for each student. In addition, based on placement results, individuals may need to take additional courses for academic remediation.

Getting Started

- **Complete an Application for Admission**—\$25 application fee must accompany your application. Applications may be completed online by clicking the **Apply Now** link at www.Crowder.edu.
- **Take a Placement Exam**—(COMPASS or ACT) COMPASS is a computerized placement exam that will help your academic advisor place you in the correct English, Reading and Math classes. Call 417-455-5433 or any off-campus site to schedule a testing time. For more information concerning COMPASS, please visit our website.
- **Review the Schedule of Classes**—This will give you a chance to become familiar with the types of classes Crowder College has to offer. Check out the Course Schedules under the Academics tab on the "My Crowder" link at www.Crowder.edu.
- Enroll During Open Enrollment—Check the website or Announcements for current dates.
- **Provide Your Academic History** -Have your high school transcript or GED scores, plus any previous college transcripts, sent to our Records Office.
- **Make Payment Arrangements**—Payment arrangements must be made by the first day of regular enrollment: cash, payment plan, scholarship, or financial aid. Apply for financial aid online at www.fafsa.gov, Crowder College School Code: 002459. All A+ Program and CAMP students must complete the FAFSA.
- **Financial Aid**—Various forms of financial aid are available to qualified students including scholarships, loans and grants. Scholarship information and applications are available on the Crowder College website: www.crowder.edu. Students may complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid online at: www.fafsa.gov

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