MASTER OF

Journalism

Carleton University is THE place to study journalism in Canada.

Are you driven by curiosity?
A desire to reveal, explain, and tell truthful stories?

For more than 20 years, Carleton has offered one of the best Master of Journalism (MJ) programs in the country.

There are two points of entry into the MJ. Most applicants will be admitted to Year One of the two-year program. The first year provides intensive foundational training in print, broadcast and online journalism, alongside courses on journalism law, journalism theory, professional practices and reporting methods. In the second year, students combine subject-specific workshop courses with electives and specialized seminars.

Applicants with professional journalism experience or degrees in journalism may be admitted directly into Year Two. These students may pursue a degree path in journalism studies by exploring an aspect of journalism practice or the news media, or take a suite of professional coursework options selected in consultation with the Supervisor of Graduate Studies. Students will complete a master's thesis or a Master's Research Project, as appropriate.

In both cases, students work with talented faculty whose professional reputations are unmatched in the country.



The school runs an apprenticeship program involving more than 50 media companies across Canada — from the Globe and Mail to CBC to Canadian Geographic — as well as the communication arms of organizations as diverse as the RCMP and the National Gallery of Canada. These placements can be completed during the academic year or over the summer.

Students can apply for Global Journalism Internships offered through the School's Centre for Media and Transitional Societies, with our partners Farm Radio International, WUSC and Kigali Today. Through this program, senior students are awarded travel grants to work in the spring and summer in such locations as Ethiopia, Ghana, Malawi, Rwanda, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Tanzania and Vietnam.

There is also an option to combine a journalism degree with a specialization in African Studies.

Degrees Offered

MJ

Career Options

Alumni are working in news media and allied occupations around the world. They are reporters, editors, producers, columnists, international correspondents and documentary makers. They work for digital publications, broadcast networks, newspapers, magazines, independent production companies, and social media platforms. They are information entrepreneurs and communication strategists, navigating the volatile and changing media environment for a range of agencies and companies. Many have gone on to teaching careers in journalism and new media programs at universities and colleges.

Application Deadline

February 1, in order to be eligible for funding

Admission Requirements

YEAR ONE APPLICANTS:

A four-year bachelor's degree (or equivalent) with a B+ or better in the honours subject and B- or better overall.

YEAR TWO APPLICANTS:

Have one of the following: A BJ (Honours) or equivalent; a degree in another discipline from a recognized university plus at least five years of professional journalism experience; or substantial professional journalism of a high standard.

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