

NATIONAL DIPLOMA: JOURNALISM

Qualification code: NDJR01 - NQF Level 6

Campus where offered: Soshanguve North Campus (day classes (first two years) and block-mode classes and work-integrated learning (third year).

Last year of new intake: 2019

Teach-out (phase-out) date: 31 December 2023

Students registered for this qualification should complete their studies according to the teach-out date prescribed for the qualification, subject to the stipulations of Regulation 3.1.11 and 3.1.13 in the Students' Rules and Regulations.

Information on phased-out programmes can be obtained from the TUT website, www.tut.ac.za.

CURRICULUM

Consult the 2019 Faculty Prospectus for the full contents of the qualification.

THE SUBJECTS PRINTED IN BOLD ARE NOT FOR REGISTRATION PURPOSES.

FIRST YEAR

CODE	SUBJECT	CREDIT	PREREQUISITE SUBJECT(S)
MEM100T	Media Communication I		
ENJ140T	Media Communication: English (A level) for Journalists I	(0,050)*	
MEM10PT	Media Communication: Contemporary Political Studies I	(0,100)*	
MEM10QT	Media Communication: Introduction to Mass Communication I	(0,033)*	
MIF100T	Media Information Management I		
MIF10PT	Media Information Management: Database I	(0,044)	
MIF10QT	Media Information Management: News Awareness and News Knowledge I	(0,044)	
MIF10RT	Media Information Management: Internet I	(0,044)	
NEW100T	News Reporting I		
NEW10PT	News Reporting: Print Media and Broadcasting I	(0,250)	
NEW10QT	News Reporting: Computers for Journalists I	(0,075)	
NEW10RT	News Reporting: Media Law I	(0,070)	
PHJ100T	Photojournalism I*	(0,100)	
RPE100T	Radio: Production, Editing and Sound I*	(0,140)*	
plus one* of the following languages (subjects are offered as determined by the Head of the Department):			
AAJ160T	Afrikaans (A level) for Journalists I	(0,050)	
AAJ180T	Afrikaans I	(0,050)	
FRE120T	French I	(0,050)	
GER130T	German I	(0,050)	
SNR130T	Sotho (North) I	(0,050)	
SNR140T	Sotho (North) (A level) for Journalists I	(0,050)	
ZUL140T	Zulu I	(0,050)	
TOTAL CREDITS FOR THE FIRST YEAR:		1,000	



SECOND YEAR

CODE	SUBJECT	CREDIT	PREREQUISITE SUBJECT(S)
AVR200T	Advanced Reporting II		
AVR20PT	Advanced Reporting: Investigative Reporting II	(0,250)	News Reporting: Print Media and Broadcasting I
AVR20QT	Advanced Reporting: Writing and Scripting Skills II	(0,100)	News Reporting: Print Media and Broadcasting I
BCN200T	Broadcasting: Production II*	(0,200)	Radio: Production, Editing and Sound I
BED200T	Basic Editing and Design for Printing II*	(0,200)	News Reporting: Print Media and Broadcasting I
BES200T	Basic Entrepreneurial Skills for Media II*	(0,025)	News Reporting: Print Media and Broadcasting I
MEM200T	Media Communication II		
AAJ200T	Media Communication: Afrikaans (A level) for Journalists II**	(0,000)*	Afrikaans (A level) for Journalists I
ENJ200T	Media Communication: English (A level) for Journalists II	(0,100)	Media Communication: English (A level) for Journalists I
MEM20PT	Media Communication: Contemporary Political Studies II	(0,080)	Media Communication: Contemporary Political Studies I
MEM20QT	Media Communication: Mass Communication and Ethics II	(0,020)	Media Communication: Introduction to Mass Communication I
NET200T	Internet II*	(0,025)	Media Information Management: Internet I
SNR220T	Media Communication: Sotho (North) (A level) for Journalists II**	(0,000)*	Sotho (North) (A level) for Journalists I
TOTAL CREDITS FOR THE SECOND YEAR:		1,000	

THIRD YEAR

CODE	SUBJECT	CREDIT	PREREQUISITE SUBJECT(S)
AVR300T	Advanced Reporting III	(0,250)	Advanced Reporting II
MDC300T	Media Practice III	(0,500)	Basic Editing and Design for Printing II or Broadcasting: Production II
MDC301R	Media Practice III (re-registration) (semester subject)	(0,000)	
plus one of the following subjects:			
AED300T	Advanced Editing and Design for Printing III*	(0,250)	Basic Editing and Design for Printing II
BCN300T	Broadcasting: Production III*	(0,250)	Broadcasting: Production II
TOTAL CREDITS FOR THE THIRD YEAR:		1,000	
TOTAL CREDITS FOR THE QUALIFICATION:		3,000	



SUBJECT INFORMATION (OVERVIEW OF SYLLABUS)

The syllabus content is subject to change to accommodate industry changes. Please note that a more detailed syllabus is available at the Department or in the study guide that is applicable to a particular subject. At time of publication, the syllabus content was defined as follows:

A

ADVANCED EDITING AND DESIGN FOR PRINTING III (AED300T) 1 X 3-HOUR PAPER
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

The development of perceptive actuality articles for the print media, from inception to the final product, in a contextualised environment. (Total tuition time: not available)

ADVANCED REPORTING III (AVR300T) 1 X 3-HOUR PAPER
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

The development of contextualised, specialised reports or features for printing, online or broadcast distribution in a contextualised environment. (Total tuition time: not available)

ADVANCED REPORTING: INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING II (AVR20PT) CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

The development of investigative, perceptive actuality articles or broadcast reports from inception to the final product, in a contextualised environment. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

ADVANCED REPORTING: WRITING AND SCRIPTING SKILLS II (AVR20QT) CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

The development of perceptive features for the print or broadcast media from inception to the final product, in a contextualised environment. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

AFRIKAANS I (AAJ180T) 1 X 3-HOUR PAPER
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. In this subject, attention is given to translation, advertisements and journalistic style. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar are also covered. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

AFRIKAANS (A LEVEL) FOR JOURNALISTS I (AAJ160T) 1 X 3-HOUR PAPER
(*Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages*)

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. In this subject, attention is given to translation, the writing of features, advertisements, journalistic style, a critical analysis of reports and articles. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar are also covered. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)

B

BASIC EDITING AND DESIGN FOR PRINTING II (BED200T) CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

Displaying competence in media production to produce and edit print media products by applying knowledge of new genres, visual values and ethics. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)

BASIC ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS FOR MEDIA II (BES200T) CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

Displaying a basic knowledge of the concepts business and entrepreneurship and contextualising it in the field of media. (Total tuition time: ± 15 hours)

BROADCASTING: PRODUCTION II (BCN200T) CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT
(*Subject custodian: Department of Journalism*)

Displaying competence in media production to produce and edit broadcast media products by applying knowledge of new genres, visual values and ethics. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)



BROADCASTING: PRODUCTION III (BCN300T)**1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)**

Developing perceptive actuality broadcast reports, from inception to the final product, in a contextualised environment. (Total tuition time: not available)

F**FRENCH I (FRE120T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages)**

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar, are covered. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

G**GERMAN I (GER130T)****1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages)**

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar are covered. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

I**INTERNET II (NET200T)****CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT****(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)**

The acquisition and evaluation of information to generate news on-line. Computer- Assisted Research Reporting (CARR). Basic Web page design. (Total tuition time: ± 15 hours)

M**MEDIA COMMUNICATION: AFRIKAANS (A LEVEL) FOR JOURNALISTS II (AAJ200T)****CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT****(Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages)**

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. In this subject, attention is given to translation, the writing of features, advertisements, journalistic style, a critical analysis of reports and articles. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar, are also covered. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)

MEDIA COMMUNICATION: CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL STUDIES I (MEM10PT)**1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)**

Students acquire the basic historical and socio-political knowledge required to report on and discuss current political affairs. (Total tuition time: ± 60 hours)

MEDIA COMMUNICATION: CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL STUDIES II (MEM20PT)**1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)**

Accessing, evaluating, using and sourcing information and language resources effectively and responsibly to create publishable stories and academic writing. Specific historical and socio-political knowledge is used to report on and discuss current political affairs. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

MEDIA COMMUNICATION: ENGLISH (A LEVEL) FOR JOURNALISTS I (ENJ140T)**1 X 3-HOUR PAPER****(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)**

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. In this subject, attention is given to translation, the writing of features, advertisements, journalistic style, a critical analysis of reports and articles. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar, are also covered. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)

MEDIA COMMUNICATION: ENGLISH (A LEVEL) FOR JOURNALISTS II (ENJ200T)**1 X 3-HOUR PAPER**

(Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages)

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. In this subject, attention is given to translation, the writing of features, advertisements, journalistic style, a critical analysis of reports and articles. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar, are also covered. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)

MEDIA COMMUNICATION: INTRODUCTION TO MASS COMMUNICATION I (MEM10QT)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Students are introduced to and analyse different forms and theories of mass communication. Media texts and institutions are critically analysed and discussed. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

MEDIA COMMUNICATION: MASS COMMUNICATION AND ETHICS II (MEM20QT)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Students acquire the skills and knowledge required to make and justify ethical decisions regarding sensitive aspects in the presentation of journalistic material. The role and place of mass communication in a community are discussed and analysed. Academic writing in a media context is developed. (Total tuition time: ± 30 hours)

MEDIA COMMUNICATION: SOTHO (NORTH) (A LEVEL) FOR JOURNALISTS II (SNR220T)

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

(Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages)

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. In this subject, attention is given to translation, the writing of features, advertisements, journalistic style, a critical analysis of reports and articles. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar, are also covered. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)

MEDIA INFORMATION MANAGEMENT: DATABASE I (MIF10PT)

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Establishing and maintaining a basic database. The effective and responsible acquisition and storage of information. (Total tuition time: ± 15 hours)

MEDIA INFORMATION MANAGEMENT: INTERNET I (MIF10RT)

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Accessing, evaluating, using and sourcing information resources effectively and responsibly to create publishable stories and academic writing. (Total tuition time: ± 15 hours)

MEDIA INFORMATION MANAGEMENT: NEWS AWARENESS AND NEWS KNOWLEDGE I (MIF10QT)

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

The effective and responsible acquisition and evaluation of information and the building of a journalistic frame of reference. (Total tuition time: ± 30 hours)

MEDIA PRACTICE III (MDC300T/MDC301R)

WORK-INTEGRATED LEARNING

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

A formal practical in-service training period in the media industry, also known as Work-Integrated Learning or WIL. (Total tuition time: not available)

N

NEWS REPORTING: COMPUTERS FOR JOURNALISTS I (NEW10QT)

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Acquiring computer knowledge skills, including typing at a minimum of 25 words per minute. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

NEWS REPORTING: MEDIA LAW I (NEW10RT)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER

(Subject custodian: Department of Law)

Sources of SA media law, the right to freedom of expression, defamation, access to information, access to and reporting on courts and tribunals, protection of sources, contempt of court, statutory restriction on reporting, intellectual property, hate speech and regulation of the media. (Total tuition time: ± 92 hours)

NEWS REPORTING: PRINT MEDIA AND BROADCASTING I (NEW10PT)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER



(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

The history of and developments in the media industry. Producing elementary news reports for printing and broadcasting under supervision. (Total tuition time: ± 90 hours)

P

PHOTOJOURNALISM I (PHJ100T)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Using technology to produce a newsworthy image and an audiovisual news item, applying ethical norms in decision-making on the presentation of photo material. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

R

RADIO: PRODUCTION, EDITING AND SOUND I (RPE100T)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Using cutting-edge technology to produce newsworthy audiovisual news items under supervision. (Total tuition time: ± 60 hours)

S

SOTHO (NORTH) (A LEVEL) FOR JOURNALISTS I (SNR140T)

CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

(Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages)

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. In this subject, attention is given to translation, the writing of features, advertisements, journalistic style, a critical analysis of reports and articles. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar, are also covered. (Total tuition time: ± 75 hours)

SOTHO (NORTH) I (SNR130T)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER

(Subject custodian: Department of Journalism)

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar, are covered. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

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ZULU I (ZUL140T)

1 X 3-HOUR PAPER

(Subject custodian: Department of Applied Languages)

Language proficiency is one of the most important attributes of a good journalist. Various aspects of language usage, such as comprehension, vocabulary, punctuation, style, composition, speeches, reports and functional grammar are covered. (Total tuition time: ± 45 hours)

