Media Studies
Major Application — Spring 2018

Spring Application Dates – Applications are due by 2:00 p.m. on final date in each period.

January 9 – 19, 2018       February 26 – March 2, 2018        April 2 – 6, 2018

Please read the instructions below carefully and submit the documentation requested. Students will be notified by email when a decision has been made regarding their applications. All decisions are final.

Eligibility

You must:

EITHER * have completed all four prerequisites for a letter grade

OR * have completed three prerequisites—including Media Studies 10—for a letter grade and be enrolled in the final prerequisite for a letter grade

AND * have completed no more than 70 semester units of college course work at the time of application. You can subtract AP, college units earned before High School graduation and excess P.E. activity units (over four) taken at UC Berkeley.

AND * have a minimum GPA of 3.2 in all courses applicable to the major. This includes lower-division prerequisite and research methods courses, upper-division electives and the equivalency of transferred course work.

If you have more than 70 units and/or less than a 3.2 GPA in major courses then you must submit supplementary materials in the form of an appeal. (See details below.)

Application procedures

Please submit the following documents to Laura Demir’s mailbox in 258 Evans Hall during the application periods noted above:

Media Studies Application Form – The application form is included in this packet.

Transcripts from other schools and assist.org printout if relevant –

If you transferred to UC Berkeley or took courses to satisfy prerequisite requirements at another school, you will need to submit copies of your transcripts from each school attended and circle each course that satisfies a prerequisite requirement. Transcripts can be unofficial and must include the institution’s name and your name.

If you attended a California community college, you will also need to include an assist.org printout for your school, UC Berkeley and Media Studies and circle each course that satisfies a prerequisite requirement.

If you took a course at a four-year school, out-of-state school or California community college and it does not appear on assist.org, you will need to submit a catalog description and/or syllabus for the course to Josh Jackson or Jean Retzinger for faculty review at mediastudies_advising@berkeley.edu.

L&S Declaration of Major Form – signed by student – This form is included in this packet.

For Students Submitting Appeals

If you have more than 70 units, or less than a 3.2 GPA in Media Studies courses you will need to submit these additional materials:

• A cover letter of no more than two pages explaining why you wish to study media studies and explaining the problems that made the appeal necessary;

• A graded paper (at least 4-5 pages in length) written for an approved prerequisite course.
Media Studies Application Checklist – Spring 2018

Please assemble your application in the following order. Attach forms with a paperclip or binder clip. Do not staple packet together or put in folder. Submit application materials to Laura Demir’s mailbox in 258 Evans Hall.

___ Media Studies Application Form

If you have taken more than one course in the social science prerequisite category, choose the one with the best grade. Do not list two unless two courses are the equivalent to one Berkeley course.

___ Transcripts from other schools attended

Transcripts may be unofficial and must show the name of the institution and your name. Circle relevant courses.

___ Assist.org printout if attended California community college

The assist.org printout must be for the school you attended. Circle relevant courses.

___ L&S Declaration of Major Form

You must sign and date the form. A major adviser does not sign your form before you apply to the major.

And, if submitting an Appeal Application due to units or grades, you will need to submit the following additional documents:

___ Cover letter of no more than two pages explaining why you wish to study media studies and explaining the problems that made the appeal necessary

___ Graded paper (at least 4-5 pages in length) written for an approved prerequisite course and showing the instructor’s feedback

SPECIAL NOTE regarding enrolling in MEDIA STUDIES 101 in spring 2018:

If you are on the wait list for Media Studies 101 and applying to the major in January, complete the Application for Media Studies 101 Course Enrollment form at the end of this application packet and submit it with your application to the major.
Media Studies Applicant Information Form – Spring 2018

Name ________________________________ SID# ________________________________
@berkeley.edu email address ________________________________ Phone ________________________________

Intended Graduation Year and Term

Continuing Berkeley Student _____ New Junior Transfer in Spring 2018 _____

Appeal application? Yes ____ No _____

If you are currently declared in another major, do you want to ____ double or ____ switch majors?

Prerequisites completed at a community college or other 4-year school

Course and School ________________________________ Term _______ Semester Units _______ Grade _________

Prerequisites completed at Berkeley (Circle relevant courses in categories below.)

American History History 7B, 124A, 124B, 131B _______ _______ _________
American Institutions Political Science 1 _______ _______ _________
Intro. Social Sciences Anthro 3AC, Econ 1, Econ 2 Psych 1, Psych 2, Sociol 1, Sociol 3AC _______ _______ _________
Media Studies MS 10 or MS N10 _______ _______ _________

Other major non-prerequisite courses completed (not in progress)

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Fourth prerequisite taking in Spring 2018 (if applicable) ________________________________

__CalCentral will be used to verify University of California, Berkeley courses.__

__Please note: ALL major coursework must be taken for a letter grade.__

__Absolutely no exceptions made for courses taken after declaring major.__
# MAJOR DECLARATION

**Term:** Fall  Spring  Year: ________

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See instructions on the reverse for additional forms and procedures.

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Check the Major or Majors You Are Declaring

- African American Studies
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Art
- Art, History of
- Asian American & Asian Diaspora Studies

**Asian Studies**
- China
- Japan
- Asian Studies
- Astrophysics
- Celtic Studies
- Chemistry
- Chicano Studies
- Classical Civilizations
- Classical Languages
- Cognitive Science
- Comparative Literature
- Computer Science
- Dance & Performance Studies
- Dutch Studies

**East Asian Languages and Cultures**
- Chinese
- Japanese
- E. Asian Rel., Thought & Culture

**Earth & Planetary Science**
- Atmospheric Science
- Environ. Earth Science
- Geology
- Geophysics
- Marine Science
- Planetary Science

**Molecular & Cell Biology**
- Biochem. & Molecular Biology
- Genetics, Genomics, & Development
- Immunology & Pathogenesis
- Cell & Developmental Biology
- Neurobiology
- Music
- Native American Studies

**Near Eastern Studies**
- Near Eastern Civilizations
- Ancient Egyptian & Near Eastern Art & Archaeology
- Near Eastern Languages & Literatures
- Operations Research & Management Science
- Peace & Conflict Studies
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Economy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Health
- Rhetoric
- Scandinavian
- Slavic Languages & Literatures
- Social Welfare
- Sociology
- South & Southeast Asian Studies
- Spanish and Portuguese
  - Spanish & Spanish American
  - Luso-Brazilian
  - Iberian
  - Latin American
  - Hispanic Languages & Bilingual Issues
  - Statistics
  - Theater & Performance Studies
  - Other_________________________

Updated 10/30/17
Application for Media Studies 101 Course Enrollment

Only complete this form if you are applying in January 2018 and are on the wait list for Media Studies 101:

NAME (please print):

Student ID (SID) #:

Email address:

Year in School (circle): Soph Jr Sr

Total Number of Course Units Completed (Cal and/or Transfer Units): ____________

Major (check and fill out):
_____ Applied to Media Studies January 2018
_____ Intended Media Studies
_____ Other _________________________________

If intended Media Studies major, check pre-requisites completed (w/grades received).

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For courses taken at another institution, please attach a copy of your grade report. An unofficial grade report is fine. Mark relevant courses on attached grade report(s).

SECTIONS AVAILABLE TO ATTEND:
PLEASE RANK ORDER ALL AVAILABLE SECTIONS (with #1 as your top choice. #2 as your second choice, etc.). Mark all sections you are unable to attend as “NA.”

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Additional information you think I should know about your situation (continue on back as necessary):