

Bucks County Community College (Bucks) – Rider University
Program to Program - Guaranteed Transfer Agreement
between
Liberal Arts: Journalism, Associate of Arts (1045)
from **Bucks County Community College (Bucks)** and the
Bachelor of Arts with a Journalism major at Rider University

In the interest of providing Bucks County Community College students with improved opportunities to excel in higher education, Rider University (Rider) and Bucks County Community College (Bucks) agree to create a Program to Program - **Guaranteed Transfer Agreement** between the Journalism, Associate of Arts Program at Bucks and the Bachelor of Arts with a major in Journalism at Rider.

1. Rider University will guarantee transfer admission; waiver of application fee; acceptance of all credits earned with a grade of C or better that count toward the Associate degree in the Liberal Arts: Journalism program and meet Rider University equivalents; and full junior status to all graduates in good standing of the Liberal Arts: Journalism, Associate of Arts (1045) degree at Bucks.

Rider University admission will be granted to students who have fulfilled the following criteria:

- A. Declared their participation in this program while enrolled at Bucks by completing the Intent to Enroll Form. (Note: Students should be advised to submit their application to the program before they have completed 30 credits at Bucks in order to maximize the efficiency of their transfer to Rider University.)
 - B. Followed the appropriate transfer program of prescribed selections for Rider while at Bucks, listed in the Transfer Advising Guide.
 - C. Taken all their courses and completed their Associate degree at Bucks.
 - D. Earned a cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.50.
 - E. Applied for transfer admission by the normal Rider transfer application deadline.
2. This agreement between Bucks and Rider goes into effect immediately upon receipt of the signatures of each institution.
 3. This agreement shall be subject to review and renewal every five years.
 4. Bucks will provide its students with full information about the Program to Program - Guaranteed Transfer Admission Program that falls under the overall Guaranteed Transfer Agreement with Rider and Bucks. Students under this Program to Program Agreement will be also eligible for the benefits outlined in the Rider-Bucks overall Guaranteed Transfer Agreement.
 5. Students who declare their intent to participate will work directly with Bucks' transfer and advising staff to obtain assistance with course selections which fulfill Rider's requirements.

6. Bucks will provide Rider with the names and contact information of students who have enrolled in the Program to Program - Guaranteed Transfer Agreement program and Rider will establish communication with the participating students. Students will provide this information and permission to share information when they complete the Bucks-Rider Guaranteed Transfer Admission Intent to Enroll Form.
7. The regular process for transfer admission to Rider will remain for Bucks students who do not participate in this program as well as for program participants who do not fulfill the requirements listed in Article 1 of this document.
8. Rider University is committed to making our educational opportunities as affordable as possible. With scholarship and financial aid, transfer students often find Rider's private education is comparable to attending a public college or university. The Bucks transfer student, who holds a GPA of 2.50 to 4.00 on college-level work, is eligible upon the submission of a full-time student application, for consideration for transfer scholarships and grants. In addition, for those students of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) at Bucks County Community College the student may be eligible to receive an annual renewable scholarship. For specific financial aid and scholarship information please access the Rider University website.
9. Bucks students, following completion of the Bucks-Rider Guaranteed Transfer Admission Intent to Enroll Form, have the option to take an additional course at Rider that counts toward the Rider degree at no charge. The designated course (s) requires a grade of C or better and allow the Bucks student to experience first-hand the academic environment at Rider. The course credit option is: COM-264, Introduction to Media Convergence (3CR).

Agreed this 19th day of February, 2015

For: **Rider University**

For: **Bucks County Community College**

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TRANSFER ADVISING GUIDE

Journalism (1045) (A.A.) from Bucks County Community College to Journalism (B.A.) at Rider University			
BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSE <i>Liberal Arts: Journalism (1045)</i>	Cr	RIDER UNIVERSITY COURSE/AREA SATISFIED <i>Journalism, B.A. (120 Credits)</i>	Cr
COMM 111 Media and Society	3	COM 105 Communication, Culture & Media	3
COMP 110 English Composition I ^{A,E,1}	3	CMP 120 Expository Writing	3
JOUR 175 News Reporting and Writing ^G	3	COM 102 Introduction to News Writing	3
POLI 120 American State and Local Government	3	POL 100 Introduction to American Politics	3
HIST 151 US History I ³	3	HIS 208 US I American History from European Settlement through Reconstruction	3
	15		15
COMP 111 English Composition II ^{G,2}	3	CMP 125 Research Writing	3
College Level Mathematics ^{A,E} or Science ^E (Recommend some that equate from Rider Core list)	3 or 4	Math or Science Core (if course equates to one that is listed on Rider Core equivalency list)	3
COMM 110 Effective Speaking ^{A,E}	3	COM 104 Speech Communication	3
ECON 111 Principles of Economics – Macro	3	ECO 200 Principles of Macroeconomics (applies to Rider’s Social Science and Communication Core category)	3
JOUR 276 Feature Writing for Newspapers & Magazines ^H	3	COM 316 Feature Writing	3
	15/16		15
LITR 232 American Literature from 1865 (recommended) OR LITR 277 Introduction to Short Fiction	3	ENG 290 The Short Story (If LITR 232 was taken, applies to Rider’s Literature Core category)	3
Electives (Suggest VAMM100)	3	COM 262 Graphic Imaging for Multimedia	3
Personal Health ^D	2 or 3	Not Transferrable	0
JOUR 275 Newspaper Editing and Page Layout ^H	3	COM 212 Publication Design	3
JOUR 278 Webcast News Production ^H	3	COM 131 Fundamentals of Video	3
	14/15		12
HIST 152 US History II ³	3	HIS 209 US II Amer. Hist. from Recon. To Present	3
Creative Expression ^B (Choose from COMP115 Creative Writing I or COMP116 Creative Writing II)	3	Free Elective ^U	3
Social Perspectives ^C (Suggest PSYC-110, SOCI-110)	3	PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology SOC 101 Sociological Imagination	3
INTG 285 Integration of Knowledge ^{E,F,4}	3	Liberal Arts Elective ^U	3
JOUR 277 Public Affairs Reporting ^H	3	COM 210 News Reporting & Writing	3
	15		15
Total	59/61		57

Rider Course Option: COM-264, Introduction to Media Convergence (Rider Core Requirement)	COM-264 Introduction to Media Convergence Following completion of the Rider Intent to Enroll Form and while a student at Bucks; students have the option to take a course at Rider that counts toward the Rider degree. See Bucks or Rider Transfer Representatives for additional information. Contact information listed below.	3
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Bucks County Community College Footnotes:

A Placement Testing Required.

B Choose from COMP115, COMP116.

- C Choose from GEOG110, POLI111, PSYC110, SOCI110, WMST110.
- D Choose from HLTH103, HLTH110, HLTH120, HLTH130, HLTH200, PSYC100, PSYC120, or PSYC125.
- E Requires a prerequisite.
- F Any INTG course may be chosen.
- G Corequisite or prerequisite: COMP107 or COMP110.
- H Prerequisite JOUR175.
- I Choose from VAMM100, JOUR155.
- 1 Satisfies College Level Writing I.
- 2 Satisfies College Level Writing II.
- 3 Satisfies Cultural Perspectives.
- 4 Satisfies Writing Intensive requirement.

Rider University:

* Schedule A – Rider Journalism Core Requirements

∩ Students have a number of options to satisfy this requirement; courses will be evaluated on an individual basis.

For transfer credit Bucks students must have a grade of “C” or higher in all courses.

Students interested in the College of Continuing Studies (CCS) at Rider should contact that division directly.

Requirements are subject to change. This Advising Guide is best used in consultation with an advisor.

COURSES REMAINING FOR A BACHELOR’S DEGREE IN JOURNALISM AT RIDER UNIVERSITY*

Course Number	Rider University Course Name or Core Area	Credits	Notes* (if course can be taken at Bucks, indicate course number)
COM 204	Advanced Speech	3	
COM 212	Publication Design	3	JOUR 275
COM 211	Copy Editing		
COM 215	Computer Assisted Reporting	3	
COM 415	In-Depth Reporting	3	
	One additional selected from a menu		
COM 131	Fundamentals of Video	3	JOUR 278
COM 264	Introduction to Media Convergence	3	
COM 301	Communication Law	3	
COM 302	Communication Ethics	3	
COM 400	Senior Seminar	3	

Bucks County Community College students may transfer 60 credits to Rider University.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT

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Schedule A

Rider University Journalism Core Requirements

Requirements for the Journalism Major Departmental Core (24 Semester Hours)			
Rider Course:		Bucks Course Equivalent:	
COM-104	Speech Communication	COMM-110	Effective Speaking
COM-105	Communication, Culture & Media (formerly mass media communications)	COMM-111	Media & Society
COM-107 or COM-102	Writing for the Media or Introduction to News Writing	JOUR-175	News Reporting & Writing
COM-131	Fundamentals of Video Production	JOUR-278	Webcast News Production
COM-264	Introduction to Media Convergence	Rider Course Option	Course to be taken at Rider University
COM-301	Communication Law	Course taken at Rider	
COM-302	Communication Ethics	Course taken at Rider	
COM-400	Senior Seminar	Course taken at Rider	

In addition to the departmental core requirements (21 credits), which is required of all majors in the department, each student must complete (an additional 24 credits). Students pursuing a degree in the Department of Communication and Journalism must choose among the following majors: communication studies; digital media: film, TV and radio, graphic design, journalism, public relations and web design. Students may not carry a double major within the department.

Note: If a student receives a grade lower than “C” in a course required in a major or minor in the department, the student must repeat the course. Credit will only be awarded once for a course that is repeated. The student must also repeat the course before enrolling in any course for which it is a prerequisite.