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## NEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL FORM

#### **Sponsoring Institution(s): Lindenwood University**

Program Title: Mass Communications – Broadcast Emphasis

Degree/Certificate: Bachelor of Arts

**CIP Classification:** <u>09.0701</u> (Please provide a CIP code)

Implementation Date: August 2011

Expected Date of First Graduation: May, 2012

#### AUTHORIZATION

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## PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS AND PERFORMANCE GOALS

Institution Name: Lindenwood University

Program Name: Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications with an Emphasis in Broadcast

Date: August 1, 2011

## Overview

Lindenwood University is an independent, liberal arts university serving over 14,000 students in a broad range of academic programs. The proposed Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications with an Emphasis in Broadcast will be offered as part of Lindenwood University's traditionally formatted daytime schedule. It will serve that audience of students who wish to pursue an undergraduate degree in which broadcasting skills, the understanding of mass communications marketing and industry management are emphasized in an academic, liberal arts setting. The Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications with an Emphasis in Broadcast is both compatible and consistent with the goals and objectives of the mission of the University.

## **Student Preparation**

The Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications with an Emphasis in Broadcast program will accept any student who has met the general admission requirements of Lindenwood University.

## **Faculty Characteristics**

All faculty for this program will possess a master's degree or higher from an accredited institution. They will also have job experience in the field of communications. Whenever possible, faculty will have teaching experience and broadcasting experience.

This course work for this degree will be delivered by full time faculty. Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications with an Emphasis in Broadcast will be assigned academic advisors who are instructors in the Mass Communications program.

## **Enrollment and Graduation Projections**

Year	2011	2010	2011	2012	2013
Anticipated New Students	32	20	22	30	23
Anticipated Graduates	2	16	18	19	20

## Student and Program Outcomes

This degree will provide education for students whose goal it is to obtain the basic knowledge and understanding the various skills necessary to be a successful professional in Broadcast broadcasting. Graduates will know important Federal Communication Commission rules and regulations, be familiar with the technical expertise needed in the day-to-day operation of a broadcasting station, be able to effectively communicate during a broadcast, and have the skills analyze to media ratings and understand their impact on corporate profits.

There are no specific licenses or certifications for these students. A person with a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications with an Emphasis in Broadcast will be prepared to pursue Masters of Arts degree in Communications.

## Alumni and Employer Survey

A database of alumni will be maintained, which will serve as the source for periodic surveys that will help determine the level of satisfaction of the program.

A questionnaire will be developed to distribute to employers of Lindenwood graduates with a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications with an Emphasis in Broadcast. The survey will be designed to elicit employers' opinion as to the level of preparedness demonstrated by graduates of the program.

In order to give students the fullest educational experience possible, The School of Communications has developed a variety of partnerships with St. Louis area broadcast stations. Students will perform a number of duties for these companies and those performances will be professionally appraised. These appraisals will serve as one indicator as to the success of the program.

Each student will be required to complete a broadcast-related internship. Employers will respond to a list of questions that indicate how prepared each student was when entering the internship, as well as the students subsequent ability to perform his or her duties successfully during the duration of his or her internship.

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# **PROGRAM STRUCTURE for B. A. in Mass Communications – Broadcast Emphasis**

The degree is offered in a 128 hour program.

## General education: Total credits: 49 semester hours

#### Courses:

ENG15000 English Composition I (3 semester hours) English Composition I (3) ENG15000 Communications (3) HIS10000 World History (3) Cross Cultural or Foreign Language (6) Philosophy or Religion (3) Literature (6) Fine Arts (3) U.S. History or American Government (3) PSY10000 Principles of Psychology (3) Sociology, Anthropology, Criminology or Economics (3) Mathematics (3) Science (7)

## Major requirements: Total credits: 66 semester hours Courses:

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COM13000	Survey of Professional Media (3)
COM15100	Radio Production (3)
COM15400	Video Production (3)
COM23300	Fundamentals of the Internet (3)
COM24200	Basic Reporting (3)
COM25600	Production for Television (3)
COM30101	Applied Mass Communications – Radio (3)
COM30102	Applied Mass Communications – Television (3)
COM30111	Applied Television News (3)
COM30200	Seminar of Professional Practices and Ethics (3)
COM30400	Broadcast News Writing (3)
COM30700	Writing for the Electronic Media (3)
COM32700	Media Literacy (3)
COM34300	Television News Production (3)
COM35200	Advanced Audio Production (3)
COM35400	Advanced Video (3)
COM35700	Intermediate Non-linear Editing (3)
COM36000	Media Management (3)
COM39000	Television News Reporting (3)
COM40100	Applied Mass Communications – Radio (3)
COM46000	Mass Communications Law (3)
COM30100	Applied Mass Communications or

COM45000 Communications Internship (3)

Free elective credits: No less than 13 semester hours

Students are required to successfully complete a minimum of 42 semester hours at a 300 or 400 level.

Students are required to complete all course work with a cumulative grade point average of no less than 2.0

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## **STUDENT ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS for B.A. in Mass Communications – Broadcast Emphasis**

Year	1	2	3	4	5
Full Time	50	56	60	62	65
Part Time (Not Applicable)					
Total	50	56	60	62	65