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Memorandum

To: Undergraduate Programs Committee
From: Brad Lewter, College UPC Representative,
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Re: Program Changes for Multimedia Journalism (MMSJ)
Date: January 14th, 2016

Florida Atlantic University – Undergraduate Programs – PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST

College: Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters
Department: School of Communication and Multimedia Studies (SCMS)
Changes To Be Effective: Summer 2016

Program Changes in the BA in Multimedia Studies: Multimedia Journalism (MMSJ)

1. Deletion of the MMSJ Pre-Major in Multimedia Studies (PMMS) and all MMSJ admission requirements listed in the FAU Catalog with the exception of a minimum overall GPA of 2.0 – to be maintained throughout enrollment at FAU. Upon applying to FAU, both FTIC and Transfer Students can immediately declare their MMSJ Major.
2. The "Multimedia Journalism Skills Test" at the University Testing Center (spelling, grammar, and punctuation) is the prerequisite for admission to JOU 4181 Coverage of Public Affairs, which serves as the gateway to the next MMSJ "Performance and Production" courses in the curricular sequence: RTV 4301 Broadcast Journalism, MMC 4342 Multimedia Journalism, and the capstone course RTV 4304 Advanced Broadcast Journalism (or its MMSJ "Disciplinary Core" alternative VIC 4943 Multimedia Practicum).
3. Change of required credits in MMSJ Major from 38 to 50 by including the "Emphasis" sequence (see current MMSJ Worksheet) in the regular MMSJ curriculum. Deducting the required 12 credit hours in Elective Courses at the 3000/4000 level within the College of Arts and Letters, outside of the MMSJ Major, from the current 26 credit hours in Free Electives.

Approved by:	Date:
Department Chair: <u>David C. Williams</u>	<u>1-14-2016</u>
College Curriculum Chair: <u>John E. [Signature]</u>	<u>1/17/16</u>
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