

# Master of Journalism and Communication 8232 – Research Pathway



## Term 2 2026 Commencing Students – Stream C 96uoc (MDIAJS) – Research Pathway

Year 1 - 2026	Term 2	Term 3	Year 2 - 2027	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Year 3 - 2028	TBC per semester calendar
	J & C Cognate Core Course*	MDIA5031 Research in Practice		^ARTS5100 Research Methods	MDIA5009 Philosophies of Journalism	MDIA5010 Literary and Narrative Journalism Practice (12uoc)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prescribed Elective</li> <li>• Prescribed Elective</li> </ul>
	J & C Cognate Core Course	J & C Cognate Core Course		J & C Cognate Core Course	^MDIA5008 Media Research Project (12uoc)	J & C Cognate Core Course		
Prescribed Elective	J & C Cognate Core Course	J & C Cognate Core Course						

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	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MDIA5001 Writing for Media (Term 1 &amp; Term 3)</li> <li>• MDIA5007 Media Ethics and Law</li> <li>• MDIA5011 Professional Media Practices (Term 1 &amp; Term 3)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MDIA5000 Understanding Contemporary Media</li> <li>• MDIA5004 Media Relations</li> <li>• MDIA5006 News and Feature Writing – check Term 2</li> <li>• MDIA5032 From Text to Talk: Finding Your Voice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MDIA5001 Writing for Media (Term 1 &amp; Term 3)</li> <li>• MDIA5002 Multiplatform and Audiovisual Journalism</li> <li>• MDIA5003 Social Media Campaigning</li> <li>• MDIA5022 Organisational Communication</li> <li>• MDIA5027 Understanding Digital Cultures</li> <li>• MDIA5011 Professional Media Practices (Term 1 &amp; Term 3)</li> </ul>

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	J & C Cognate* Core Course	MDIA5031 Research in Practice
	J & C Cognate Core Course	J & C Cognate Core Course
	Prescribed Elective	J & C Cognate Core Course

Year 2 - 2027	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
	^Prescribed Elective	MDIA5009 Philosophies of Journalism	MDIA5010 Literary and Narrative Journalism Practice (12uoc)
	J & C Cognate Core Course	^Prescribed Elective	
	J & C Cognate Core Course	Prescribed Elective	

Year 3 - 2028	TBC per semester calendar
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	J & C Cognate Core Course*	MDIA5031 Research in Practice		^ARTS5100 Research Methods	^MDIA5008 Media Research Project (12uoc)	MDIA5010 Literary and Narrative Journalism Practice (12uoc)
	J & C Cognate Core Course	J & C Cognate Core Course		J & C Cognate Core Course		
Prescribed Elective				MDIA5009 Philosophies of Journalism		

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	J & C Cognate Core Course	MDIA5031 Research in Practice
	J & C Cognate Core Course	J & C Cognate Core Course
	^Prescribed Elective	

Year 2 - 2027	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
	J & C Cognate Core Course	MDIA5009 Philosophies of Journalism	MDIA5010 Literary and Narrative Journalism Practice (12uoc)
	^Prescribed Elective	^Prescribed Elective	
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	MDIA5009 Philosophies of Journalism	^MDIA5031 Research in Practice		^ARTS5100 Research Methods
	Prescribed Elective	^Prescribed Elective		^MDIA5008 Media Research Project (12uoc)
Prescribed Elective				

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