

Cedar Crest College's Four-Year Graduation (4YG) Guarantee is open to all academically qualified candidates enrolled full-time in a 4-year bachelor's degree program, with the exception of Nuclear Medicine Technology. It does not apply to dual degree, fifth-year, or graduate programs. Provided students comply with all of the conditions of the program, Cedar Crest College will guarantee graduation within four years. The guarantee extends to one major only. While many students add additional majors and minors and finish within four years, Cedar Crest will not be able to provide four year guarantee in those cases.

Conditions

By signing below, \_\_\_\_\_ is enrolled in the 4YG program for the Media Studies major under the 2014 catalog requirements and agrees to

- assume ultimate responsibility for monitoring academic progress and the completion of all academic requirements;
- enroll at Cedar Crest for four continuous academic years;
- remain in good academic standing;
- complete an average of 30 new credits in each academic year. Courses must be selected in consultation with her academic advisor and 4YG coordinator and must apply to the recommended course sequence on page 2;
- maintain the GPA requirements of the Media Studies major and Liberal Arts Curriculum;
- meet regularly with her assigned academic advisor and 4YG coordinator following the schedule outlined below;
- resolve all outstanding holds that would prevent registration prior to the start of registration for each semester;
- register for classes each semester on the date appropriate for class standing as set forth by the Registrar;
- be responsive to communication from Cedar Crest College, including advisors and the 4YG coordinator;
- officially declare a Media Studies major by the completion of 30 credits. If a change of major is requested after 30 credits, the ability to sign a new 4YG contract is not guaranteed.
- complete the following and all other Media Studies major requirements:
  - Earn a C- or better in all courses taken for specifically for major requirements.
  - Abide by all other departmental policies and successfully meet all other graduation requirements.

The 4YG does not guarantee that courses will be offered at a particular time or on particular days, nor can it assure graduation in four years if accreditation agencies require immediate curricular changes. This agreement pertains only to the catalog specified; if major requirements change and the student elects to follow the newer requirements, this contract is void.

If a student meets all of the degree/program requirements but cannot graduate in four years because a course or courses are not available, the student will meet with her advisor as soon as the problem is discovered to discuss options for completion. These options could include a course substitution, an independent study, or permission to enroll in the course in a subsequent semester at no tuition cost to the student.

Required Meeting Schedule:

	<b>Semester 1</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>	<b>Semester 3</b>	<b>Semester 4</b>
Beginning of Semester	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator
Prior to registration	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator
	<b>Semester 5</b>	<b>Semester 6</b>	<b>Semester 7</b>	<b>Semester 8</b>
Beginning of Semester	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator
Prior to registration	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator	___ Advisor ___ 4YG Coordinator

I agree to the stipulations set forth in this agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
ID Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Entry Term

\_\_\_\_\_  
Advisor Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
4YG Coordinator Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**FALL 2014**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM 1__	3	COM 100 Introduction to Communication <i>or</i> COM 102 Media Literacy	
_____	3	Science LAC course	
_____	3	Art LAC course	
FYS _____	3	First Year Seminar	
SPS 120	0.5	College Life	
_____	3	elective***	

**SPRING 2015**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM__	3	Perspectives elective*	
_____	3	Social Science LAC course	
WRI 100	3	College Writing	
_____	3	Humanities LAC course	
SPS 160	0.5	Exploring Your Future	
_____	3	elective***	

**FALL 2015**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM 200	3	Communication Theory and Research	
ETL 235	3	Ethical Life	
_____	3	Writing II LAC course	
COM 1__	3	COM 100 Introduction to Communication <i>or</i> COM 102 Media Literacy	
_____	3	elective***	

**SPRING 2016**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
_____	3	Art LAC course	
_____	3	Applications elective**	
COM 112	3	Media Industries	
_____	4	Science LAC course with lab	
_____	3	elective***	

**FALL 2016**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM__	3	Perspectives elective*	
_____	3	Applications elective**	
_____	3	Mathematics and Logic LAC course	
_____	3	elective***	
_____	3	elective***	

**SPRING 2017**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM__	3	Perspectives elective*	
COM__	3	Advanced Study elective***	
_____	3	Mathematics and Logic LAC course	
_____	3	Global Studies LAC course	
_____	3	elective***	

**FALL 2017**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM 342	3	Media Studies Seminar	
_____	3	One Perspectives, Applications, or Advanced Study elective	
_____	3	Humanities LAC course	
_____	3	elective***	
_____	3	elective***	

**SPRING 2018**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM 352	3	Senior Capstone: Media Studies	
_____	3	One Perspectives, Applications, or Advanced Study elective	
_____	3	elective***	
_____	3	elective***	
_____	3	elective***	

\* Perspectives: choose 3 courses for a total of 9 credits from: COM 140, 150, 210, 212, 215, 216, 217, 244, 245, 252, 260-265, 270, 272, 275.

\*\*Applications: choose 2 courses for a total of 6 credits from: COM 120, 152, 224, 225; SPS 390.

\*\*\*Advanced Study: COM 300, 310, 324, 325.

\*\*\*\* Electives must be included to ensure that the overall total number of credits reaches the 120 credits needed to complete a degree.

## Liberal Arts Curriculum (LAC) for Media Studies majors

**Natural Science:** One must be a lab-based course

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Arts:** 6 cr. total, one must be a 3 cr. course\*

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Mathematics & Logic:** 6 cr total, one mathematics course

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Ethics:** 3 cr.

1. ETL 235

**Technology:**

1. COM 100

**Oral Presentation:**

1. COM 352

**Writing:** 6 cr.

1. WRI 100
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Humanities:** 6 cr. total from two disciplines\*

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Social Science:** 6 cr. total from two disciplines\*

1. COM 100
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Global Studies:** 3 cr.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

**Information Literacy:**

1. COM 200

\* The 4 disciplines used to fulfill the Humanities and Social Science requirements cannot be used to fulfill the Arts requirement.