

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, I, \_\_\_\_\_ am enrolling in the 4YG program for the Media Studies major under the 2022-2023 catalog requirements and I agree to:

- assume ultimate responsibility for monitoring my 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. *Note: Courses must be selected in consultation with your 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 my 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. *Note: 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 their 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:

	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4
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
	Semester 5	Semester 6	Semester 7	Semester 8
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 2022**

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	
CCC 101	0.5	College Life	
_____	3	elective***	

**SPRING 2023**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM 112	3	Media Industries	
_____	3	Social Science LAC course	
WRI 100	3	College Writing	
_____	3	Humanities LAC course	
CCC 102	0.5	Exploring Your Future	
_____	3	elective***	

**FALL 2023**

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 2024**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
_____	3	Art LAC course	
COM__	3	Applications elective**	
COM__	3	Perspectives elective*	
_____	4	Science LAC course with lab	
CCC 201	3	Sophomore Expedition	

**FALL 2024**

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

**SPRING 2025**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM__	3	Perspectives elective*	
COM__	3	Advanced Study elective^	
_____	3	Mathematics & Logic LAC course	
_____	3	elective***	
_____	3	elective***	

**FALL 2025**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM 350	3	Senior Seminar I	
COM__	3	One Perspectives, Applications, or Advanced Study elective~	
_____	3	elective*** or internship	
_____	3	elective***	
_____	3	elective***	

**SPRING 2026**

Course	Cr	Title	✓
COM 352	3	Senior Seminar II	
COM__	3	One Perspectives, Applications, or Advanced Study elective~	
_____	3	elective*** or internship	
_____	3	elective***	
_____	3	elective***	

\* Perspectives: choose 3 courses for a total of 9 credits from: COM 120, 130, 140, 150, 207, 210, 212, 215, 216, 240, 244, 245, 246, 252, 255, 260-265, 270, 272, 275, 278, 280, 282, 285.

COM 244, 245: Each only once in this category and no more than twice toward major

\*\*Applications: choose 2 courses for a total of 6 credits. Only 3 credits may be satisfied through an internship: COM 106, 107, 108, 121, 133, 152 (1-3 credits; max. 3 credits), 209, 224, 225, 231, 370. With permission: COM 220, 222, 226.

^Advanced Study: choose one course from: COM 300, 310, 324, 325.

~Electives within the major: Two classes (6 credits) to be chosen from the above courses.

COM 260-265: Advisor permission needed for special topics to count toward any category

\*\*\* 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) and College-Wide Requirements**

<b>Natural Science (SCI):</b> 7 cr. total, one must be a lab-based course
1. _____
2. _____
<b>Arts (ART):</b> 6 cr. total, one must be a 3 cr. course
1. _____
2. _____
<b>Mathematics &amp; Logic (ML):</b> 6 cr. total, one must be a MAT course
1. _____
2. _____
<b>Ethics (ETH):</b> 1 course, 3 cr.
1. ETL 235
<b>Technology:</b>
1. COM 100
<b>Oral Presentation:</b>
1. COM 352

<b>Writing (WRI1, WRI2):</b> 2 courses, 6 cr. total
1. WRI 100
2. _____
<b>Humanities (HUM):</b> 2 courses, 6 cr. total
1. COM 102
2. _____
<b>Social Science (SS):</b> 2 courses, 6 cr. total
1. COM 100
2. _____
<b>Global Studies (GS):</b> 1 course, 3 cr.
1. CCC 201
<b>Information Literacy:</b>
1. COM 200