



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**

**Substantive Program Modification Form**

<b>UNIVERSITY:</b>	SDSU
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM TITLE:</b>	<b>Communication Studies and Journalism (M.S.)</b> <b>[S.MS.CSJRN]</b> – <b>Communication Studies Specialization</b> <b>[S.MS.CSJRN-COMS]</b> – <b>Journalism Specialization [S.MS.CSJRN-JOUR]</b>
<b>CIP CODE:</b>	<b>09.0499</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:</b>	<b>Journalism &amp; Mass Communication (SGRJR)</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DIVISION:</b>	<b>Arts &amp; Sciences (SGRAD)</b>

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

_____ Dennis D. Hedge Vice President of Academic Affairs or President of the University	_____ 3/28/2018 Date
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**1. This modification addresses a change in:**

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|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Total credits required within the discipline | Total credits of supportive course work |
| Total credits of elective course work        | Total credits required for program      |
| Program name                                 | Existing specialization                 |
| CIP Code                                     | Other (explain below)                   |
|                                              | - Add Option B                          |
|                                              | - Change from M.S. to M.A. Degree       |

**2. Effective date of change: 2018-2019 Academic Year**

**3. Program Degree Level:**

Associate                  Bachelor's                  Master's                  Doctoral

**4. Category:**

Certificate                  Specializations                  Minor                  Major

**5. If a name change is proposed, the change will occur:**

- On the effective date for all students
- On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program)

**Proposed new name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Reminder: Name changes may require updating related articulation agreements, site approvals, etc.*



## **7. Explanation of the Change:**

As of July 1, 2017, the Departments of Communication Studies and Journalism & Mass Communication are in one Division of Communication and Journalism (COJO), which will become a School of COJO effective July 1, 2018. To maintain consistency and to better integrate the shared, on-campus graduate degree, three changes have been requested:

1. Add a joint core requirement of SPCM/MCOM 787 Research Methods