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The Georgian Patriarchate
Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University

Faculty of Social Sciences and Health Care

Bachelor's educational program

Journalism

Qualification/academic degree: Bachelor of Social Sciences

Volume of the Program in credits: 240 ECTS credits

Program supervisors:
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Associate Professor Nestan Mamuchadze

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1. **Title of the program:** Journalism

2. **Education level:** bachelor's degree

3. **Qualification/academic degree:** Bachelor of Social Sciences in **journalism**

4. **Volume of the Program in credits**

The Bachelor's program includes 240 *ECTS* credits, out of which **45** *ECTS* credits are assigned for the faculty compulsory courses, while **100** *ECTS* credits- for main academic courses, and **95** *ECTS* for the optional disciplines of the specialty .

Each *ECTS* credit is dedicated to the contact-type learning and independent work of the student. In particular, its 40% is intended for the contact-type learning, whereas 60%- for independent work. The contact-type learning lasts for 8 semesters.

A Bachelor's student has the opportunity to choose, prepare and defend a Bachelor's thesis in the 8th semester.

During the 7th and 8th semesters, the students will undergo professional internship.

5. **Language of instruction.** The program will be implemented in Georgian Language.

6. **Goal of the educational program:**

The goal of the program is to train a specialist of journalism and mass communication according to professional standards in the manner that will enable him/her to develop and apply his/her own capacities in a competitive environment and apply the acquired theoretical knowledge and skills. The knowledge obtained at the Bachelor's level will provide a solid foundation for obtaining and improving additional sectorial and multidisciplinary knowledge.

7. **Prerequisites for admission to the Program**

Obtaining a student's status under the legislation of Georgia- taking the United National Examinations.

8. **Teaching format**

The curriculum is based on the basic theoretical teaching –learning model that consists of special disciplines: organizational forms of lectures, seminars, practical sessions, individual work and examinations.

9. **Teaching outcomes:**

The Bachelor will acquire the basic theoretical and practical knowledge that is necessary for a beginner journalist. The graduate will be able to determine the topicality of theme and process and verify information. He/she will be able to properly organize and process information, create various media texts and work with the sources. He/she will acquire basic professional skills necessary for working in the field. The graduate will have understood social responsibility of media, the role and significance of a journalist in building the society based on knowledge. Based on the knowledge obtained when studying for the Bachelor's program, the graduate will be able to continue studies for the Master's program.

Employment branches for the students are: governmental and non-governmental organizations, press services, press, radio, television, the Internet, etc.

Learning outcomes		
criteria	General competencies	Field competencies
KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING	A wide knowledge of the field that includes a critical understanding of theories and principles. Understanding of complex issues of the field.	The Bachelor possesses the basic theoretical and practical knowledge and skills which are necessary for starting working as a journalist; The Bachelor is aware of the methods for obtaining, processing, balancing and verifying information as well as the role and importance of a journalist in the society and the social responsibility of media; the Bachelor understands the importance of diversity of media and coverage;
APPLYING KNOWLEDGE IN PRACTICE	The graduate is able to apply the methods characteristic to the field, as well as some distinguished methods to solve problems, conduct a research or a practical project according to predefined instructions	The graduate is able to independently use photo- and video cameras and audio recorders. The graduate is able to develop his/her own capacities in a competitive environment and apply the acquired basic knowledge and skills. The graduate is able to prepare and apply the specifics of news journalist and news texts. Is goal-oriented.
MAKING JUDGMENT	The graduate is able to collect and interpret the features characteristic to the field, as well as perform the analysis of the data and/or situations using the standard and some distinctive methods, make a substantiated conclusion.	Has the ability to reason based on arguments, as well as to provide explanations, analyze and make a synthesis; Has the ability of critical analysis;
COMMUNICATION SKILLS	Drafting of a detailed written report on solutions, ideas, existing problems and verbal transfer of information to specialists and non-specialists in Georgian and English languages, creative use of modern information and communication technologies;	Is able to communicate with respective sources, colleagues, wider public and other interested persons. Is able to draft and present a detailed written report according to a project/work. Is able to master and apply modern information technologies for presenting a work. When performing practical assignments (production of newspapers and magazines, production of TV and radio broadcasts/materials, etc.). is able to work in a group and individually; has the ability to put questions and listen properly; Is able to apply information technologies for communication at a professional level.
LEARNING SKILLS	Consistent and multilateral evaluation of his/her own learning process, identification of further learning needs	Has the ability to assess processes in a diverse and consistent manner, based on grounded reasoning, explanation, analysis and synthesis
VALUES	Participation in the process of formation of values and aspiration to introduce them	Is aware of a journalist's functions, rights and responsibility in a democratic society The graduate will have understood social responsibility of media, the role and significance of a journalist in building the society based on knowledge.

10. Methods of achievement of the learning outcomes

The following methods will be applied during the implementation of the program:
Lecture and presentation using modern technical (audio- and visual) facilities;

- debates with a group or a part of the group;
- public discussion of home tasks or results of written texts/colloquiums;
- oral presentation, seminars (group work);
- individual consultations;
- academic training;

11. System of evaluation of a student's knowledge

Students assessment is carried out in compliance with the Georgian legislation and the procedure established by the Tbel Abuseridze teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.
Student's work evaluation considers:
A) midterm assessments (daily activity, current assessment and other components provided by the relevant syllabus);
B) assessment of the final exam.

Maximum assessment of the course is 100 points, from which the mid-term evaluation is 60, and the maximum score of the final exam is 40 points. The method of evaluation is mainly used by the intermediate summarizing (examination) oral, written and tested forms that are detailed in the syllabus of the curriculum.
The student is obliged to collect at least 21 points in midterm estimatation,
Otherwise, he/she will not be allowed to pass the final exam.
Student evaluation is as follows:
A) A - Excellent 91-100 points out of the maximum point;
B) B- Very Good. 81-90 points out of the maximum point;
C) C - Good. 71-80 points out of the maximum point;
d) D - Satisfactory. 61-70 points out of the maximum point;
E) E - Sufficient. 51-60 points out of the maximum point.
F) FX-failed to pass - 41-50 points, which means that the student needs more work to pass, and is given the right to pass an additional exam with independent work.
G) F - 40 points and less, which means that the work carried out by the student is not enough and the subject will be studied.

The student has the right to object to the final examination and midterm assessment no later than three days after publication of the results, and if the final exam is conducted at the Examination and Assessment Center, the student has the right to challenge the test results upon completion of the exam.

The student, whose final assessment is (FX) or has reason not attended the examination (in the statement is "non-attendance" and the student will submit the document confirming the absence at examination to the Dean) is entitled to pass an additional exam in the same semester. If the student has received, "failed" or “absent” at additional tests and midterm assessments, it is considered insignificant and is graded with "(F) to be failed".

In the Course / Module student with an "(F)" evaluation is obliged to undergo academic and administrative (financial) registration in the deadline for payment of the current tuition fees, to register the insured object.

The student is not entitled to register a course / module if a prerequisite for studying the course / module, which will have negative "F" evaluation.

Detailed information on the assessment methods in the framework of the course is described in the syllabus of the particular course.

Bachelor's thesis is evaluated by a 100 point system (criteria: logic, argumentation, reasoning - 30 points,

architecture of the work - 20 points, conveying skills - 15 points, novelty - 10 points, engagement in the discussion - 15 points, use of presentation material - 10 points). The procedures for its signing, submission and protection are prescribed in accordance with the procedure established by the Tbel Abuseridze teaching University of the Georgian Patriarchate.

12. Structure:

University mandatory subjects - 45 credits,
Major specialty subjects - 100 credits,
Optional subjects of specialty - 85 (135 credits)
Free credit - 10

13. Curriculum

Curriculum																
#	Components	Number of credits	Number of hours	Distribution of hours					Distribution of credits according to the semesters							
				Lecture	Laboratory session	Practical session/Practice	Final examination	Independent work	I semester	II semester	III - semester	IV semester	V semester	VI semester	VII semester	VIII semester
	The University's mandatory disciplines	**50**														
1	**Foreign language**	**20**						**500**								
1. 1	English for beginners A1	5	125	30	30			65	5							
1. 2	English for beginners A2	5	125	30	30			65		5						
1. 3	English language, pre-intermediate level, B 1	5	125	30	30			65			5					
1. 4	English language, pre-intermediate level, B 2	5	125	30	30			65				5				
2	Psychology	5	125	15		30		80	5							
3	History of Georgia	5	125	15		30		80		5						
4	Philosophy	5	125	15		30		80	5							
5	History of Georgian Literature	5	125	15		30		80			5					
6	History of Georgian Arts	5	125	15		30		80		5						
7	Computer science	5	125	15		30		80		5						
8	Academic Writing	3	75	8		22		45	3							
	Majors	100														
1	Introduction to Journalism	5	125	15		30		80	5							
2	Printing Media	5	125	15		30		80		5						
3	Oratorical Skills	5	125	15		30		80		5						
4	News Journalism	5	125	15		30		80		5						
5	History of Georgian Journalism	5	125	15		30		80	5							
6	Western Media	5	125	15		30		80			5					
7	Radio Journalism	5	125	15		30		80			5					
8	Professional Ethics	5	125	15		30		80				5				
9	Media Law	5	125	15		30		80				5				
10	TV Journalism	5	125	15		30		80				5				
11	Analysis and Viewpoint	5	125	15		30		80					5			

12	New Media	5	125	15		30		80					5			
13	Public Relations and PR Technologies	5	125	15		30		80					5			
14	Photo Journalism	5	125	15		30		80					5			
15	Problems of Contemporary Media	5	125	15		30		80						5		
16	Regional Media	5	125	15		30		80						5		
17	Professional internship (press, radio,television)	5	125												5	
	Professional internship (radio, television)	5	125													5
18	Bachelor's Thesis (optional) or module course: Printing Media, Broadcasting Media	10	250	30		60		160								10
	Optional Academic Courses	**80**									10	10	10	15	20	15
1	Basics of Creative Writing	5	125	15		30		80								
2	Production of a newspaper	5	125	15		30		80								
3	The language and style of the newspaper	5	125	15		30		80								
4	Journalism and Society	5	125	15		30		80								
5	Production of a magazine	5	125	15		30		80								
6	Skillfulness of a journalist	5	125	15		30		80								
7	Media and Culture	5	125	15		30		80								
8	Media Management	5	125	15		30		80								
9	Democracy and Citizenship	5	125	15		30		80								
10	Video shooting	5	125	15		30		80								
11	Foreign TV Media and Its History															
12	Skillfulness of a television presenter	5	125	15		30		80								
13	Basics of Audio-Video Editing	5	125	15		30		80								
14	Art of Polemic	5	125	15		30		80								
15	Historic and Political Geography	5	125	15		30		80								
16	Advertisement in mass communication	5	125	15		30		80								
17	Technique of public speech.	5	125	15		30		80								
18	Media and Politics	5	125	15		30		80								
19	Basics of Public Geography	5	125	15		30		80								
20	Basics of Sociology	5	125	15		30		80								
21	Coverage of Social Issues	5	125	15		30		80								

22	Coverage of Cultural and Educational Issues	5	125	15		30		80								
23	Coverage of Child-Related Issues	5	125	15		30		80								
24	Coverage of Environmental and Ecological Issues	5	125	15		30		80								
25	Free Credit	5	125	15		30		80						5		
26	Free Credit	5	125	15		30		80							5	
	Total	**240**							**30**	**30**	**30**	**30**	**30**	**30**	**30**	**30**

Note on the English language academic courses

English language teaching consists of 20 credits in total. Teaching of English language is performed on the basis of the level of student's language proficiency according to the following scheme:

1. Students with no knowledge of the language start learning the language from level A-1 and continue on to level A-2 consistently.
2. Students with the basic knowledge of the language start learning the language from level B-1and continue on to level B-2 consistently.

14. Map of learning outcomes

Map of learning outcomes								
#	Components	Number of Credits	Field Competencies					
			Knowledge and Understanding	Applying knowledge	Making judgment	Communication skills	Ability to learn	Values
1	Foreign language	20						
1.1	English for beginners A -1	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
1.2	English for beginners A -2	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
1.3	English language, pre-intermediate B-1	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
1.4	English language, pre-intermediate level B-2	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
2	Basics of Psychology	5	x	x	x			
3	History of Georgia	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
4	Introduction to Philosophy	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
5	History of Georgian Literature	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
6	History of Georgian Arts							
7	Computer sciences	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
8	Academic Writing	5	x	x	x	x	x	
9	Introduction to Journalism	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
10	Printing Media	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
11	Culture of Speech	5	x	x	x		X	
12	News Journalism	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
13	History of Georgian Journalism	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
14	Regional Media	5	x	x	x		x	
15	Radio Journalism	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
16	Professional Ethics	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
17	Media Law	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
18	TV Journalism	5	x	x	x	x	X	x
19	Analysis and Viewpoint	5	x	x	x		x	
20	Contemporary Media and the Internet	5	x	x	x	x	x	**x**
21	Public Relations and PR Technologies	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
22	Photo Journalism	5	x	x	x	x	x	**x**
23	Problems of Contemporary Media	5	x	x	x	x	x	**x**
24	Regional Media	5	x	**x**		**x**		**XX**
25	Professional internship (press, radio, television)	5	x	**x**	x	**x**	**x**	x
26	Bachelor's work or module course: Printing Media, Broadcasting Media	5	x	**x**	x	**x**	**x**	x
	Optional courses (Out of the 100 credits offered, 30 credits may be selected)							

1	Basics of Creative Writing	5	x	x	x	x	X	x
2	Production of a newspaper	5	x	x	x	x		x
3	Newspaper language and style	5	x	x	x	x		x
4	Journalism and Society	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
5	Production of a magazine	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
6	Skillfulness of a journalist	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
7	Media and Culture	5	x	x		x		
8	Media Management	5	x	x	x	x	X	x
9	Democracy and Citizenship	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
10	Video shooting	5	x	x	x	x	X	x
11	Foreign TV Media and Its History	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
12	Skillfulness of a television presenter	5	x	x	x	x	x	
13	Audio-Video Editing	5	x	x	x	x	X	x
14	Art of Polemic	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
15	Historical and political geography	5	x	x	x		x	
16	Advertisement in mass communication	5	x	x	x	x	X	
17	Technique of public speech.	5	x	x	x	x		x
18	Media and Politics	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
19	Basics of Public Geography	5	x	x	x	x		
20	The basics of sociology	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
21	Coverage of Social Issues	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
22	Coverage of Cultural and Educational Issues	5	x	x	x	x	x	x
23	Coverage of Child-Related Issues							
24	Coverage of Ecological Issues	5	x	x	x		x	x
25	Free Credit	5	x	x		x	x	x
26	Free Credit	5	x	x		x	x	x

15. Information on human and material resources necessary for the implementation of the educational program.

15.1 Human Resources The educational program is implemented by the academic personnel as well as by the invited specialists:

1. Ioseb Sanikidze- Candidate of Philology, Professor (program supervisor), editor of the newspaper Batumi University
2. Nesta Mamuchadze - (program supervisor) Academic Doctor of Mass Communication, Associate Professor
3. Inga Zoidze- Academic Doctor of Mass Communication, Associate Professor
4. Irine Tsintsadze- Academic Doctor of Mass Communication, Associate Professor
5. Natela Beridze- Academic Doctor of Mass Communication, Professor
6. Tamar Oragvelidze- Academic Doctor of Mass Communication
7. Nani Kamashidze- Master of Journalism, Doctoral Student of Mass Communication
8. Besik Beridze- Academic Doctor of Social Sciences, Professor
9. Sulkhan Aleksaia- Doctor of History Associate Professor of Saint Tbel Abuseridze University of the Patriarchate of Georgia
10. Naile Mikeladze- Academic Doctor of Philology, Professor of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.
11. Nona Shushanidze- Professor of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia,
12. Elza Putkaradze- Doctor of Philology, Professor of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.
13. Iver Mukutadze- Master of Mathematics, Visiting Lecturer of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.
14. Tamila Churkveidze- Visiting Lecturer of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.
15. Merab Putkaradze- Visiting Lecturer of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.
16. Tengiz Moistrapishvili- Academic Doctor of Social Sciences, Professor
17. Maradi Sanikidze- Master of Journalism, Visiting Lecturer of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.
18. Tea Khintibidze- Master of Clinical Psychology, Visiting Lecturer of Saint Tbel Abuseridze Teaching University of the Patriarchate of Georgia.

16. Material Resources

The University has an academic and scientific library which is available for all students.

The students have the opportunity to use the computers connected to the Internet, as well as sports bases and conference halls.

Based on the contracts concluded with media organizations, Bachelor's students will undergo academic training in the following organizations:

- TV and Radio Department of Adjara.
- TV Company Telearkhi -25
- Local publications: `Khulo`, `Shuakhevi`, `Keda`, also the newspaper `Adjara`.