Communication

College of Liberal Arts
Department of Communication
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B.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 120 credits

The communication program teaches students to communicate effectively and ethically in a rapidly changing world characterized by diversity in gender, culture and belief. It offers a comprehensive background in the discipline in preparation for employment or further education. Students majoring in other disciplines find communication electives valuable additions to their programs.

The program is both theoretical and pragmatic, designed to prepare students for the professional workplace or for doctoral study.

Major—B.A. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 106).
2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 109).
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
   a. Complete the following:
      COMM 180—Introduction to Human Communication .......... 3
      COMM 330—Intercultural Communication ........................ 3
      COMM 351—Gender and Communication ........................ 3
      COMM 401—Communication Research Methods ................. 3
      COMM 425W—Communication Theory ............................. 3
      COMM 482W—Capstone Seminar in Communication ............ 3
   b. Complete 4 of the following:**
      COMM 300X—Communicating Ethics** .......................... 3
      COMM 320—Communication and Language ..................... 3
      COMM 321W—Nonverbal Communication .......................... 3
      COMM 322W—Communication in Interpersonal Relationships .. 3
      COMM 331O—Advanced Group Communication .................. 3
      COMM 335O—Organizational Communication .................... 3
      COMM 352—Family Communication .............................. 3
      COMM 432O—Professional Public Speaking ..................... 3
      COMM 441—Persuasion ............................................. 3
      COMM 462W—Communication in Health Contexts .............. 3
      COMM 475W—Applied Communication in Training and Development .................. 3

4. Minimum credits required ............................................. 120
   * Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.
   ** With approval of advisor, an appropriate level special topics or independent studies course in communication may be used to meet this requirement.
   *** If taken to meet the upper division of baccalaureate core requirement for Ethic/Values and Choices in the Perspectives in the Human Condition, then the student must take an additional 300- or 400-level communication course to complete the major.

Minor

1. Complete the following:
   COMM 180—Introduction to Human Communication .......... 3
   or COMM 351—Gender and Communication ........................ 3
   or COMM 330—Intercultural Communication (3)
   Complete either the following six courses:
   COMM 300X—Communicating Ethics** .......................... 3
   COMM 320—Communication and Language ..................... 3
   COMM 321W—Nonverbal Communication .......................... 3
   COMM 322W—Communication in Interpersonal Relationships .. 3
   COMM 331O—Advanced Group Communication .................. 3
   COMM 335O—Organizational Communication .................... 3
   COMM 352—Family Communication .............................. 3
   COMM 432O—Professional Public Speaking ..................... 3
   COMM 441—Persuasion ............................................. 3
   COMM 462W—Communication in Health Contexts .............. 3
   COMM 475W—Applied Communication in Training and Development .................. 3

2. Complete communication electives at the 300-level or above ...... 9

3. Minimum credits required ............................................. 15
   Note: Courses designated as social science or humanities that are taken for the minor may also be used to fulfill social science and/or humanities distribution requirements for the B.A. degree.

General University Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses. Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

COMMUNICATIONS (9)
   Complete the following:
   ENGL 111X ...........................................................(3) 
   ENGL 211X OR 213X ..................................................(3) 
   COMM 131X OR 141X .................................................(3) 
   LIBRARY & INFORMATION SKILLS (0–1)
   Complete the following:
   LS 100X OR 101X ....................................................(0-1) 
   OR Successful completion of library skills competency test.

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)
   Complete either the following six courses:
   ANTH 100X OR SOC 100X ...........................................(3) 
   ECON/PS 100X .........................................................(3) 
   HIST 100X .............................................................(3) 
   ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X ..........(3) 
   ENGL/FL 200X .........................................................(3) 
   PHIL 322X, NRM 303X, COMM 300X, PS 300X OR JUST 300X .......(3) 
   OR Complete 12 cr from the above list PLUS two semester-length courses in a single non-English or Alaska Native language at the university level OR three semester-length courses (9 cr) in American Sign Language.

MATHMATICS (3–4)
   Complete 3-4 credits from the following:
   MATH 107X .............................................................(3) 
   OR MATH 131X (except for BBA) .............................(3) 
   OR MATH 161X .........................................................(3) 
   MATH 200X .............................................................(4) 
   MATH 201X .............................................................(4) 
   MATH 202X .............................................................(4) 
   MATH 262X .............................................................(4) 
   MATH 272X .............................................................(3) 
   NOTE: Additional 3 cr of math needed for degree requirements.

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)
   Complete 8 credits from the following:
   ATM 101X ...............................................................(4) 
   BIOL 103X OR 104X .................................................(4) 
   BIOL 105X–106X ....................................................(8) 
   BIOL 111X–112X ....................................................(8) 
   CHEM 100X ............................................................(4) 
   CHEM 103X–104X ....................................................(8) 
   CHEM 105X–106X ....................................................(8) 
   GEOG 205X ............................................................(4) 
   GEOS 100X OR 120X OR 125X ...............................(4) 
   GEOS 101X–112X ....................................................(8) 
   MSL 111X ...............................................................(4) 
   PHYS 102X OR 175X .................................................(4) 
   PHYS 103X–104X ....................................................(8) 
   PHYS 211X–212X ....................................................(8) 
   PHYS 211X–213X ....................................................(8) 
   PHYS 212X–213X ....................................................(8)