

# 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 advanced study.

Communication courses are available online and in the classroom.

The minor in dispute resolution gives students a theoretical background for and practice of alternative dispute resolution. The curriculum supports the developing restorative justice emphasis of the B.A. of justice, and is applicable to business administration, social work, psychology and counseling contexts.

### Major — B.A. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 149).
2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 149).
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:\*
  - a. Complete the following:
 

COMM F180—Introduction to Human Communication .....	3
COMM F330—Intercultural Communication .....	3
COMM F351—Gender and Communication.....	3
COMM F401—Communication Research Methods.....	3
COMM F425W—Communication Theory .....	3
COMM F482W,O—Capstone Seminar in Communication.....	3
  - b. Complete four of the following:\*\*
 

COMM F300X—Communicating Ethics*** .....	3
COMM F320—Communication and Language .....	3
COMM F321W—Nonverbal Communication .....	3
COMM F322W—Communication in Interpersonal Relationships .....	3
COMM F331O—Advanced Group Communication .....	3
COMM F335O—Organizational Communication.....	3
COMM F352—Family Communication .....	3
COMM F353—Conflict, Mediation, and Communication.....	3
COMM F380—Communication and Diversity .....	3
COMM F432O—Professional Public Speaking.....	3
COMM F441—Persuasion .....	3
COMM F462W—Communication in Health Contexts.....	3
COMM F475W—Applied Communication in Training and Development .....	3
4. Minimum credits required .....120

\* Students 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 Ethics/Values and Choices in the Perspectives in the Human Condition, then the student must take an additional F300- or F400-level communication course to complete the major.

## Minors

### Communication

1. Complete the following:
 

COMM F180—Introduction to Human Communication .....	3
COMM F330—Intercultural Communication (3) or COMM F351—Gender and Communication.....	3
2. Complete communication electives at the F300 level or above .....9
3. Minimum credits required .....15

### Alternative Dispute Resolution

1. Complete the following:\*
 

COMM F201—Dispute Resolution and Restorative Practices .....	3
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  2. Complete four of the following:\*
 

COMM F302—Dispute Systems .....	3
COMM F353—Conflict, Mediation and Communication.....	3
COMM F451—Cross Cultural Conflict Analysis and Intervention .....	3
COMM F452—Law and Science of Arbitration.....	3
COMM F453—Clinic in Mediation, Conferencing and Circle Practices .....	3
  3. Minimum credits required .....15
- Note: F400-level courses require junior standing or instructor permission  
 \* Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.



# Baccalaureate Core Requirements

## Communication . . . . . 9 Credits

- ENGL F111X—Introduction to Academic Writing.....(3)

Complete one of the following:

- ENGL F211X—Academic Writing about Literature.....(3)
- ENGL F213X—Academic Writing about the Social and Natural Sciences.....(3)

Complete one of the following:

- COMM F121X—Introduction to Interpersonal Communication.....(3)
- COMM F131X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Group Context.....(3)
- COMM F141X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Public Context.....(3)

## Perspectives on the Human Condition . . . . . 18 Credits

Complete all of the following four courses:

- ANTH F100X/SOC F100X—Individual, Society and Culture.....(3)
- ECON F100X or PS F100X—Political Economy.....(3)
- HIST F100X—Modern World History.....(3)
- ENGL/FL F200X—World Literature.....(3)

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Complete one of the following three courses:

- ART/MUS/THR F200X—Aesthetic Appreciation: Interrelationship of Art, Drama and Music.....(3)
- HUM F201X—Unity in the Arts.....(3)
- ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaska Native Performance.....(3)

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Complete one of the following six courses:

- BA F323X—Business Ethics.....(3)
- COMM F300X—Communicating Ethics.....(3)
- JUST F300X—Ethics and Justice.....(3)
- NRM F303X—Environmental Ethics and Actions.....(3)
- PS F300X—Ethics and Society.....(3)
- PHIL F322X—Ethics.....(3)

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Or complete 12 credits from the above courses plus one of the following:

- Two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language
- Three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

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## Mathematics . . . . . 3 Credits

Complete one of the following:

- MATH F113X—Concepts and Contemporary Applications of Mathematics.....(3)
- MATH F151X—College Algebra for Calculus\*.....(4)
- MATH F152X—Trigonometry.....(4)
- MATH F156X—Precalculus.....(4)
- MATH F122X—Algebra for Business and Economics\*\*.....(3)
- STAT F200X—Elementary Probability and Statistics.....(3)

\* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F151X or F122X.

Or complete one of the following\*:

- MATH F251X—Calculus I\*\*.....(4)
- MATH F252X—Calculus II.....(4)
- MATH F253X—Calculus III.....(4)
- MATH F222X—Calculus for Business and Economics.....(4)
- MATH F232X—Calculus for Life Sciences.....(4)

\* Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite

\*\* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F251X, F222X or F232X.

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## Natural Sciences . . . . . 8 Credits

Complete any two (4-credit) courses.

- ATM F101X—Weather and Climate of Alaska.....(4)
- BIOL F100X—Human Biology.....(4)
- BIOL F101X—Introduction to Animal Behavior.....(4)
- BIOL F103X—Biology and Society.....(4)
- BIOL F104X—Natural History.....(4)
- BIOL F115X—Fundamentals of Biology I.....(4)
- BIOL F116X—Fundamentals of Biology II.....(4)
- BIOL F120X—Introduction to Human Nutrition.....(4)
- BIOL F213X—Human Anatomy and Physiology I.....(4)
- BIOL F214X—Human Anatomy and Physiology II.....(4)
- CHEM F100X—Chemistry in Complex Systems.....(4)
- CHEM F103X—Basic General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F104X—Beginnings in Biochemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F105X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F106X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- GEOG F111X—Earth and Environment: Elements of Physical Geography.....(4)
- GEOS F100X—Introduction to Earth Science.....(4)
- GEOS F101X—The Dynamic Earth.....(4)
- GEOS F106X—Life and the Age of Dinosaurs.....(4)
- GEOS F112X—History of Earth and Life.....(4)
- GEOS F120X—Glaciers, Earthquakes and Volcanoes.....(4)
- GEOS F125X—Humans, Earth and Environment.....(4)
- MSL F111X—The Oceans.....(4)
- PHYS F102X—Energy and Society.....(4)
- PHYS F103X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F104X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F115X—Physical Science I.....(4)
- PHYS F175X—Astronomy.....(4)
- PHYS F211X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F212X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F213X—Elementary Modern Physics.....(4)

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## Library and Information Research . . . . . 0-1 Credit

- Successful completion of library skills competency test or LS F100X or LS F101X prior to junior standing

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## Upper-Division Writing and Oral Communication

Complete the following at the upper-division level:

- Two writing intensive courses designated (W) and one oral communication intensive course designated (O), or two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2) (see degree and/or major requirements)

Total credits required 38-39

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.

Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course used toward the baccalaureate core.

