Communication Major

Area of Emphasis

Students must complete requirements in one of the following areas of emphasis:

- Health Communication
- Journalism
- Mass Media
- Organizational Communication
- Public Relations
- Social Media Communication
- Sports Communication

Health Communication

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses:		18
COMM 102	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 133	Fundamentals of Public Address	
COMM 166	Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication	
or COMM 237	Small Group Communication	
COMM 185	Business and Media Writing	
COMM 205	Elements of Media	
COMM 290	Communication Problems and Research Methods	
Upper Level Courses:		30
COMM 305	Principles of Public Relations/Corporate Communications	
COMM/INFO SCI 308	Information Technologies	
COMM 335	Organizational Communication	
COMM 370	Health Communication Campaigns and Strategies	
COMM 380	Communication Law	
COMM/INFO SCI 430	Information, Media and Society	
COMM 470	Health Communication and the Internet	
COMM 477	Social Media Strategies	
COMM 480	Cases in Communications and Media Management	
Choose 3 credits of upper level	Communication electives	
Total Credits		48

Journalism

Code	Title	Credits
Supporting Courses ¹		18
Core Courses		
COMM 102	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 133	Fundamentals of Public Address	
COMM 185	Business and Media Writing	
COMM 205	Elements of Media	
COMM 290	Communication Problems and Research Methods	
COMM 166	Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication	
or COMM 237	Small Group Communication	
Upper-Level Courses ¹		30
COMM 302	News Reporting and Writing	
COMM 380	Communication Law	
COMM 382	Public Relations Campaigns	

COMM 396	Advanced Reporting	
COMM 425	Digital Journalism	
COMM 474	Media Workshop I	
COMM 475	Media Workshop II	
Choose three upper-level elective courses in Communication ²		

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Total Credits

¹ Note: 5 of the 6 supporting courses must be completed before taking any upper-level courses.

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Mass Media

Code	Title	Credits
Supporting Courses ¹		18
Core Courses		
COMM 102	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 133	Fundamentals of Public Address	
COMM 185	Business and Media Writing	
COMM 205	Elements of Media	
COMM 290	Communication Problems and Research Methods	
COMM 166	Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication	
or COMM 237	Small Group Communication	
Upper-Level Courses ¹		30
COMM 302	News Reporting and Writing	
COMM 306	Radio Broadcasting	
COMM 307	Video Production	
COMM 309	Mass Media Advertising	
COMM 378	Advanced Video Production	
COMM 380	Communication Law	
COMM/INFO SCI 430	Information, Media and Society	
COMM 477	Social Media Strategies	
Choose upper-level Communi	ication elective courses (totaling 6 credits) ²	
Total Credits		48

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Organizational Communication

Code	Title	Credits
Supporting Courses ¹		18
Core Courses		
COMM 102	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 133	Fundamentals of Public Address	
COMM 185	Business and Media Writing	
COMM 205	Elements of Media	
COMM 290	Communication Problems and Research Methods	
COMM 166	Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication	
or COMM 237	Small Group Communication	
Upper-Level Courses ¹		30
COMM 305	Principles of Public Relations/Corporate Communications	
COMM/INFO SCI 308	Information Technologies	
COMM 333	Persuasion and Argumentation	

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COMM 335	Organizational Communication	
COMM 336	Theories of the Interview	
COMM 380	Communication Law	
COMM 477	Social Media Strategies	
COMM 480	Cases in Communications and Media Management	
Choose two upper-level elective courses in Communication ²		

Total Credits

1 Note: 5 of the 6 supporting courses must be completed before taking any upper-level courses.

2 Internships are available for 1-12 credits but only 3 credits maximum of internship can be used to meet requirements of a major in Communication.

Public Relations

Code	Title	Credits
Supporting Courses ¹		18
Core Courses		
COMM 102	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 133	Fundamentals of Public Address	
COMM 185	Business and Media Writing	
COMM 205	Elements of Media	
COMM 290	Communication Problems and Research Methods	
COMM 166	Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication	
or COMM 237	Small Group Communication	
Upper-Level Courses ¹		30
COMM 302	News Reporting and Writing	
COMM 305	Principles of Public Relations/Corporate Communications	
COMM 335	Organizational Communication	
COMM 380	Communication Law	
COMM 382	Public Relations Campaigns	
COMM 474	Media Workshop I	
COMM 477	Social Media Strategies	
COMM 480	Cases in Communications and Media Management	
Choose 2 upper-level electiv	ve courses in Communication ²	
Total Credits		48

Total Credits

1 Note: 5 of the 6 supporting courses must be completed before taking any upper-level courses. 2

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Social Media Communications

Code	Title	Credits
Supporting Courses		18
Core Courses ¹		
COMM 102	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 133	Fundamentals of Public Address	
COMM 185	Business and Media Writing	
COMM 205	Elements of Media	
COMM 290	Communication Problems and Research Methods	
COMM 166	Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication	
or COMM 237	Small Group Communication	
Upper-Level Courses		30
COMM 305	Principles of Public Relations/Corporate Communications	
COMM 307	Video Production	

COMM 308	Information Technologies	
COMM 335	Organizational Communication	
COMM 380	Communication Law	
COMM 382	Public Relations Campaigns	
COMM 425	Digital Journalism	
COMM 477	Social Media Strategies	
INFO SCI 410	Analytics and Information Problems	
Any Upper-Level COMM or IS Elective (Totaling 3 Credits) ²		

Total Credits

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Sports Communication

Code	Title	Credits
Supporting Courses		18
Core Courses ¹		
COMM 102	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 133	Fundamentals of Public Address	
COMM 185	Business and Media Writing	
COMM 205	Elements of Media	
COMM 290	Communication Problems and Research Methods	
COMM 166	Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication	
or COMM 237	Small Group Communication	
Upper-Level Courses		30
COMM 302	News Reporting and Writing	
COMM 304	Sports, Media, and Society	
COMM 305	Principles of Public Relations/Corporate Communications	
COMM 307	Video Production	
COMM 380	Communication Law	
COMM 382	Public Relations Campaigns	
COMM 390	Sports Writing, Promotion, and Public Relations	
COMM 425	Digital Journalism	
COMM 480	Cases in Communications and Media Management	
or COMM 477	Social Media Strategies	
Any Upper-Level COMM or IS Ele	ective (totaling 3 Credits) ²	

Total Credits

¹ Note: 5 of the 6 supporting courses must be completed before taking any upper-level courses.

Internships are available for 1-12 credits but only 3 credits maximum of internship can be used to meet requirements of a major in Communication.

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