

Communication, B.A.

DEPARTMENT

MA in Communication, M.A.
MN in Communication, Minor
BA in Communication, B.A.

REQUIREMENTS

Department of Communication

Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements

Communication Major

The communication major is designed to provide broad-based competencies in oral and written communication, critical analysis of human discourse, and social scientific and humanistic research methods. The major also emphasizes how this theoretical knowledge is applied in specific contexts ranging from personal relationships to business management to public advocacy.

1. Major requirements (42 units)

Fundamental communication processes and skills (6 units)
Select two from COMM 3, 4, 5, 6H, 7, 8, 15 (see note 2)

Core competencies (12 units) (see note 6)
COMM 100, 140, 142, 166

Personal and professional communication (18 units)
Select a minimum of two courses in each area

- Personal and relational settings: COMM 108, 120, 150, 161, 162, 164, 169
- Advocacy in public settings: COMM 103, 105, 115 (see note 2), 148, 149, 160, 163
- Organizational and professional settings: COMM 114, 165, 167, 168, 170, 171, 176, 179I, 189

Electives in major (6 units) (see note 2)
Select an additional 6 units of upper-division communication coursework.

2. General Education requirements (49 units) (see note 1)

3. Other requirements (9 units)

American Government and Institutions (PLSI 2), Multicultural and International (MI), and Upper-division writing

4. Sufficient elective units to meet required total units (varies)

5. Total units (120)**

* G.E. and MI courses can be double-counted with major requirements. The writing requirement may be met by taking the upper-division writing exam. See advisor for details.

Advising Notes

1. The 6 units of COMM 3, 5, 7 and/or 8 may be applied to fulfill General Education Foundation A1 and A3 requirements.
2. No more than 3 units from COMM 15 and 6 units from COMM 115 can count toward fulfillment of the communication major. No more than 3 units from COMM 115 can be applied to the Advocacy in Public Settings Area.
3. CR/NC grading is not permitted in the communication major with the exception of COMM 179I (Internship).
4. No more than 6 units of COMM 179I (Internship) may be applied toward completion of the communication major.
5. Students are allowed only 3 units of COMM 190 and no more than 6 units toward the baccalaureate degree.
6. A grade of C or better is required in COMM 100, 140, 142, and 166 to fulfill the core competencies requirement.

FACULTY

For faculty phone numbers and e-mail, see the campus directory.

For more on the faculty, see the faculty pages.

The faculty pages are updated by the department or program.