

MAJOR: BA in Communication-concentration in Communication Studies - Online (Minor Required)

2026 FOUR YEAR CURRICULM GUIDE (Online Adult 8-week sessions, Year round)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Year 1	Fall Semester (A)		Year 1	Spring Semester (A)		Year 1	Summer Semester (A)	
Course #	Title	Cr.	Course #	Title	Cr.	Course #	Title	Cr.
ENG 101	English Composition I (Core 1)	3	CORE/CCI	Institutional Requirement (Core 5)	3	MAJOR or MINOR	Major Elective (2) or Minor Course (1)	3
COM 101	Human Communication Or Institutional Requirement (Core 2)	3	CORE/CCI	Institutional Requirement (Core 6)	3	ELECTIVE	Institutional Requirement (Core 8)	3
	Fall Semester (B)			Spring Semester (B)			Summer Semester (B)	
COM 120	Foundations of Health Communication Or Institutional Requirement (Core 3)	3	MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (1) or general elective	3	CORE	Institutional Requirement (Core 9)	3
CORE/CCI	Institutional Requirement (Core 4)	3	ENG 102	English Composition II (Core 7)	3	CORE	Institutional Requirement (Core 10)	3
	TOTAL	12		TOTAL	12		TOTAL	12
Year 2	Fall Semester (A)		Year 2	Spring Semester (A)		Year 2	Summer Semester (A)	
Course #	Title	Cr.	Course #	Title	Cr.	Course #	Title	Cr.
MAJOR or MINOR	COM 204 Communication Theory or Minor Course (1)	3	MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (3) or general elective	3	MINOR	Minor Course (3)	3
MINOR	Major Elective (1) or general elective	3	ELECTIVE	General Elective	3	MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (3) or general elective	3
	Fall Semester (B)			Spring Semester (B)			Summer Semester (B)	
MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (2) or general elective	3	CORE	Institutional Requirement (Core 11)	3	MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (4) or general elective	3
CORE	Minor Course (2)	3	MAJOR or ELECTIVE	COM 262 Strategic Messaging Content or general elective	3	CORE	Institutional Requirement (Core 12)	3
	TOTAL	12		TOTAL	12		TOTAL	12
Year 3	Fall Semester (A)		Year 3	Spring Semester (A)		Year 3	Summer Semester (A)	
Course #	Title	Cr.	Course #	Title	Cr.	Course #	Title	Cr.
MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (4) or general elective	3	CORE	Institutional Requirement (Core 14)	3	MINOR	Minor Course (6)	3
ELECTIVE	General Elective	3	MAJOR or ELECTIVE	COM 343 Conflict, Mediation, and Negotiation or general elective	3	MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (5) or general elective	3
	Fall Semester (B)			Spring Semester (B)			Summer Semester (B)	
CORE	Institutional Requirement (Core 13)	3	MINOR	Minor Course (4)	3	CORE	Institutional Requirement (Core 15)	3
ELECTIVE	General elective	3	MINOR	Minor Course (5)	3	ELECTIVE	General Elective	3
	TOTAL	12		TOTAL	12		TOTAL	12
Year 4	Fall Semester (A)							
Course #	Title	Cr.						
MAJOR or ELECTIVE	Major Elective (5) or general elective	3						
MINOR	Minor Course (7)	3						
	Fall Semester (B)							
MAJOR or ELECTIVE	COM 425 Risk and Crisis Communication or general elective	3						
MINOR	Minor Course (8)	3						
	TOTAL	12						

120 TOTAL HOURS**Notes:**

*The Critical Cultural Inquiry (CCI) requirement can be completed by either one value-added foreign language course, an approved study-away or study abroad experience, or one CCI course. One slot should be allotted for CORE/CCI, but students completing the requirement with study abroad, can substitute an elective if necessary to reach 120 hours. If students are continuing a language study, it is preferable to take the course during the first semester of the first year.

Students must earn a minor with the BA in Communication

Student may not earn a minor and a concentration in the same area.

Student may not overlap more than 9 credit hours between the Communication major and a COM department minor coursework.

Student must take at least 15 upper division (300-400) credits toward major.