

Student ID: _____
Student Name: _____
Advisor Name: _____

Catalog: Fall 2023 Undergraduate Catalog
Program: Communication, B.A.

This is for planning purposes only, please check with your advisor with questions about your degree progress

Communication, B.A.

The Communication program's mission is to generate and share knowledge about human communication in a variety of social contexts and to teach applications for ethical and effective interaction in personal and professional settings. The program is designed to prepare students for careers in organizational settings, responsible citizenship, critical thinking about communication phenomena in society, as well as advanced studies in the field of communication. We offer courses covering human communication in a variety of contexts, which are reflected in the program's three areas of emphasis: 1) Professional Communication, 2) Interpersonal Communication, and 3) Advocacy and Social Justice.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the baccalaureate degree, students in communication are expected to:

1. Describe the Communication discipline and its central questions
2. Employ communication theories, perspectives, principles, and concepts.
3. Create messages appropriate to audience, purpose, and context.
4. Demonstrate the ability to accomplish communicative goals.
5. Critically analyze messages.
6. Ethically utilize communication to embrace difference and influence public discourse.

Major, Bachelor of Arts (39 hours) - minor required - 2.5 GPA and C grades or better required for Major Requirements, Area of Emphasis, and COMM Electives

Communication Core (27 hours)

Area of Emphasis (choose one for 12 hours)

1. Professional Communication
2. Interpersonal Communication
3. Advocacy and Social Justice

COMM Electives: 6 hours of ADV, COMM, JOUR, or MDIA coursework and courses used in the Communication Core or Area of Emphasis (excluding COMM 1990, COMM 3060, COMM 3990, COMM 4890, COMM 4900, COMM 4910)

BG Perspective (BGP) Requirements

Must complete at least 1 course in each of the following:

English Composition and Oral Communication

Quantitative Literacy

Must Complete at least 2 courses in each of the following:

Humanities and the Arts

Natural Sciences - at least one Lab Science required

Social and Behavioral Sciences

Complete total required BGP credit hours by selecting courses from any of the above categories:

University Requirements

Designated courses in Humanities and the Arts and the Social and Behavioral Sciences domains may be used to fulfill both the BGP requirement and one of the following university requirements:

Cultural Diversity in the US _____
International Perspective _____

Composition Requirement:
WRIT 1120

Total BGP Credits: Must be at least 36

Arts & Sciences Requirements

World Languages and Cultures (_____ yrs of HS_____)

Consult the Undergraduate Catalog or the Arts and Sciences Student Handbook regarding approved course options in the different language and culture areas.

_____ 1010 _____
_____ 1020 _____

Lab Science

Multidisciplinary Component

Select from approved offerings, in consultation with an advisor and a faculty mentor. Four courses total, each with a different subject prefix. At least two courses at 3000/4000 level. Courses applied to the Arts & Sciences MDC may not be used to fulfill other Arts and Sciences degree requirements, nor may they be used to fulfill major, minor, BGP or other program requirements.

Major Requirements

Communication Core

(27 Hours)

Integrative Learning Requirement

(3 Hours)

Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 1900 - Communication in Action			
COMM 2900 - Careers in Communication			
OR			
COMM 4890 - Communication Internship			
COMM 4000 - Communication Research Capstone			

Theory Requirement

(3 Hours)

Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 2010 - Communication Theory			

Skills Requirement

(6 Hours)

Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 1020 - Introduction to Public Speaking			
• COMM 2500 - Business & Professional Communication Contact Hours: 3			
OR			
ENG 2070 - Intermediate Writing			
OR			
MDIA 2500 - Media Production for Non-Majors			
OR			
THFM 2020 - Performance in Life & on Stage			
OR			
THFM 2150 - Exploring Cultural Diversity Through Performance			

Media Literacy Requirement			
(3 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
MDIA 1030 - Media and the Information Society			
Culture Requirement			
(3 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 2100 - Communicating in Global Contexts			
or			
COMM 4080 - Intercultural Communication			
or			
COMM 4090 - International Communication			
Civic and Social Responsibility Requirement			
(3 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 4020 - Political Communication			
or			
COMM 4300 - Activism & Engagement			
or			
COMM 4180 - Communication Ethics			
School of Media & Communication Electives			
(6 Hours)			
Choose SIX hours from ADV, COMM, JOUR, or MDIA. Any COMM or MDIA courses used in the <i>Communication Core Requirement</i> and <i>Areas of Emphasis</i> cannot be applied to this elective.			
Total Hours: 39			
Area of Emphasis			
(12 Hours)			
Choose ONE area of emphasis. Any courses used in the <i>Communication Core Requirement</i> cannot be applied any of the Area of Emphasis.			
Professional Communication Emphasis			
Emphasis Core			
(9 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 2050 - Business and Professional Speaking			
COMM 3070 - Organizational Communication			
MDIA 3610 - Media & Strategic Communication			
Emphasis Electives			
(3 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 2030 - Small Group Communication			
COMM 3030 - Persuasion			
COMM 3040 - Leadership in Communication			
COMM 3080 - Argumentation			
COMM 4040 - Communication and Conflict			
JOUR 3410 - Introduction to Strategic Public Relations for Non-Majors			
MDIA 3520 - Social Media and Society			
Interpersonal Communication Emphasis			
Emphasis Core			

(9 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 2070 - Interpersonal Communication			
COMM 4070 - Relational Communication			
COMM 4071 - Family Communication			
Emphasis Electives			
(3 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 2030 - Small Group Communication			
COMM 3030 - Persuasion			
COMM 3040 - Leadership in Communication			
COMM 4030 - The Dark Side of Interpersonal Communication			
COMM 4040 - Communication and Conflict			
Advocacy and Social Justice Emphasis			
Emphasis Core			
(9 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 3100 - Rhetorical Criticism			
COMM 3200 - Discourses of Power			
COMM 4020 - Political Communication			
Emphasis Electives			
(3 Hours)			
Course Name	Terms Taken	Grade	Core
COMM 3080 - Argumentation			
COMM 4022 - Environmental Communication			
COMM 4080 - Intercultural Communication			
COMM 4090 - International Communication			
COMM 4120 - Communication and Gender			
MDIA 4750 - Privacy, Dissent, and the Surveillance Society			
MDIA 4860 - Media, Power, and Place			
Minor Requirements			
(Usually 21 Hours)			
For Graduation You Will Need:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 122 credit hours minimum. 2. Minimum GPA 2.00. 3. At least 30 credit hours of BGSU course work. 4. 40 credit hours at the 3000/4000 level. 5. Completion of all degree requirements, including the BG Perspective Core. 6. A major, and if required, a minor, specialization or emphasis. 			
<p>Any substitution or waiver of courses required for your major or minor program <u>must</u> originate in the department/school offering the major or minor and <u>must</u> be approved by the College Office.</p> <p>To ensure a timely graduation, see a College Advisor during the semester prior to your intended graduation.</p> <p>Remember to complete an Application for Graduation by the end of the second week of classes during the fall semester or spring regular session, or by the end of the first week of the summer semester. For the specific dates, check your DARS. You may log onto MyBGSU to complete the online application. After the deadlines, you will need to complete an application in person in the College Office.</p>			
Notes:			