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COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS
AND SCIENCES

Department of Communication

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Objectives:

- ◆ Scholars of communication study the complex process of human communication within interpersonal, group, organizational, public, intercultural, media and technological contexts. The ability to communicate abstractly separates humans from all other species. The Department of Communication is designed to educate the student in the complexities of uniquely human communication by focusing on both theoretical and pragmatic concerns.
- ◆ A degree in applied communication requires no specified option area. Specialized study in the areas of Organizational Communication, Recording Arts, and Media Management is also available.
- ◆ Communication students prepare themselves for a broad range of employment opportunities in both the public and private sectors. Major skills required in a communicator's daily job include writing, editing, interviewing, speaking, and diagnosing communication problems. Students completing the communication curriculum are prepared to fill positions in such areas as personnel, external and internal communication, research, consulting, training, broadcasting, industrial television, public relations and management.
- ◆ Communication majors have required advising once a year. Go to the Student Success Center, Main Hall 2nd floor, annually for sign-off by an advisor prior to meeting with Dr. Nelson in the Communication Department.
- ◆ Get more involved on campus! Join the Communication Club or Collegiate Comm to meet other students also interested in this field. Contact the ROAR office at roar@uccs.edu or 262-3470 for more information.

Communication-Recording Arts Option – 42 credits, 27 upper division

Credits

(At least 12 credit hours must be taken in residence)

COMM 100 Contemporary Mass Media	3	
COMM 201 Oral Communication in the Workplace	3	
COMM 225 Introduction to Film & Video	3	
COMM 227 Beginning TV Production	3	
COMM 290 Writing for the Media	3	
COMM 327 Intermediate Television Production	3	
COMM 330 Scriptwriting	3	
COMM 350 American Cinema	3	
COMM 427 Advanced Television Production	3	
COMM 469 Internship in Communication	3	
Four Approved Elective courses from the following:	12	
COMM 310 Dir. Studio Performance	COMM 417 Documentary & Film Video	V A 103 Intro to Photography
COMM 315 Comm. In Groups & Teams	COMM 422 Creative Communication	V A 210 Intro to Computer Art
COMM 328 Intercultural Communication	COMM 445 Advertising Media	V A 310 Adv. Computer Art
COMM 345 History of TV Programming	COMM 461 Princ. & Practices of PR	
COMM 365 Mass Media & Society	COMM 940 Independent Study	

General Education Requirements**

**Students are required as part of their general education requirements to complete courses in Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness. These courses are identified in the LAS section of the schedule of courses and in the bulletin.

Composition Requirement	6
Reasoning Skills Requirement	3
Humanities Area Requirement	
General	9
Core	3
Natural Science Area Requirement (including a lab course)	12
Social Science Area Requirement	12
General electives	<u>+33</u>
Total Credits - 45 upper division (300-400) level	120

MODEL DEGREE PROGRAM

COMMUNICATION (COMM)

Recording Arts Option

The following four-year plan lists all the specific course requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Communication-Recording Arts degree. The order in which these courses are taken may vary with course availability. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.** Please note that this is a *suggested* degree program; your program may vary.

Suggested First Year

FALL

- _____ ENGL131 Rhetoric & Writing I
*(Prer. of ENGL099 or ACT 19+ or SAT 450+)**
- _____ COMM100 Contemporary Mass Media
- _____ Social Science Elective
- _____ ID101 Freshmen Seminar OR General Elective
- _____ General Humanities Elective
- TOTAL=15 credits**

PRING

- _____ ENGL141 Rhetoric & Writing II
*(Prer. of ENGL131 or ACT 29+ or SAT 650+)**
- _____ COMM225 Intro to Film & Video
- _____ General Humanities Elective
- _____ General Elective
- _____ I D 105 OR I D 200 Reasoning Skills Requirement
- TOTAL=15 credits**

Suggested Second Year

FALL

- _____ COMM227 Beginning TV Production
- _____ COMM201 Oral Comm. In the Workplace (O)
- _____ General Elective
- _____ Social Science Elective
- _____ Natural Science Elective (w/lab)-4 cr
- TOTAL=16 credits**

SPRING

- _____ COMM290 Writing for the Media
- _____ Natural Science Elective
- _____ General Humanities Elective
- _____ General Elective
- _____ Upper Division (UD) General Elective
- TOTAL=15 credits**

Suggested Third Year

FALL

- _____ COMM327 Intermediate TV Production
(Prer. of COMM225 and COMM227)
- _____ COMM Approved Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- _____ Social Science Elective
- _____ Natural Science Elective
- _____ UD General Elective
- TOTAL=15 credits**

SPRING

- _____ COMM330 Scriptwriting *(Prer. of COMM225, COMM227, and COMM290)*
- _____ COMM350 American Cinema
- _____ COMM Approved Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- _____ Social Science Elective
- _____ UD General Elective
- TOTAL=15 credits**

Suggested Fourth Year

FALL

- _____ COMM469 Internship in Communication
- _____ HUM300+ Core Humanities *(Prer. of junior status)*
- _____ COMM Approved Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- _____ UD General Elective
- _____ UD General Elective
- TOTAL=15 credits**

SPRING

- _____ COMM427 Adv. TV Production **(SPRING ONLY)**
(Prer. of COMM225, COMM227 and COMM327)
- _____ COMM Approved Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- _____ Natural Science Elective-2 cr
- _____ UD General Elective
- _____ UD General Elective
- TOTAL=14 credits**

All courses are 3 credits unless otherwise stated.

*ACT/SAT placement scores are based on the English section of the exam only.

Courses fulfilling General Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences, as well as the Global Awareness (G), Cultural Diversity (D) and Oral Communication (O) requirements, may be found in the Bulletin or the current schedule.

Electives may be used toward a minor, a 2nd major, prerequisites, additional courses in Communication (up to 54 credits maximum) or just for fun!