Freshmen Communication majors
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The Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communication

Total units for the BA degree: 180
Total units for the Communication major: 76

BA Degree Unit Breakdown

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<td>Lower Division G.E.</td>
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<td>ENGL 102</td>
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<td>Upper Division G.E. (Theme)</td>
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<td>COMM Major</td>
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<td>Free Electives (or minor)</td>
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Major Unit breakdown

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<td>COMM core requirements</td>
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Major Core Requirements (52 units):
All COMM majors take a common core of 52 units, which provides class content across a broad spectrum of communication contexts.

Lower Division Required Courses (8 units):
COMM 130 Intro to Human Communication
COMM 176 Argumentation

Lower Division Electives (8 units):
Select at least two of the following courses:
COMM 267 Intro to Oral Interpretation
COMM 268 Group Performance (2,2 units)
COMM 275 Interpersonal Communication
COMM 276 Argumentation and Reasoned Advocacy
COMM 277 Forensics (2,2 units)
COMM 278 Problem Solving in Group Comm
COMM 290 Mediated Communication

Upper Division Required Courses (36 units):
COMM 300 Applied Writing in Comm Studies
COMM 330 Organizational Studies
COMM 367 Performance Studies
COMM 380 Intro to Rhetorical Studies
COMM 450 Communication Theory
COMM 477 Qualitative Methods in Comm
COMM 487 Quantitative Research in Comm
COMM 489 Intercultural Communication + Capstone Experience
COMM 498 Research Project in Communication

The major is available in four options

Options (24 units):
Select one of the following four options. Each includes 3 required and 3 upper division elective courses. With advisor approval, you may take up to 8 units from outside the department to substitute for these U.D. ELECTIVES.

A. Option in Communication for Social Change and Rhetoric

Required Core (12 units)
COMM 470 Theories of Rhetoric
COMM 485 Rhetorical Criticism
AND
COMM 474 National/Internat’l Public Discourse OR
COMM 482 Rhet Theory: Contempry Developments

Electives (12 units)
Select three UPPER DIVISION COMM courses not included in the major core.

B. Option in Performance Studies

Required Core (12 units)
COMM/TAD 467 Theories/Methods of Performance
COMM/TAD 468 Performance and Social Change
AND
COMM 486 Comm and Cultural Studies OR
COMM 490 Studies in Children’s Speech Arts

Electives (12 units)
Select three UPPER DIVISION COMM courses not included in the major core.

C. Option in Organizational Communication and Public Relations

Required Core (12 units)
COMM 430 Dynamics of Organizational Comm
COMM 495 Principles/Practices of Public Relations
AND
COMM 435 Communication and Leadership OR
COMM 497 Managing Problems in PR

Electives (12 units)
Select three UPPER DIVISION COMM courses not included in the major core.

D. Option in Interpersonal Communication/ Language and Social Interaction

Required Core (12 units)
COMM 440 Relational Communication
COMM 463  Language and Communication Behavior
AND
COMM 462  Nonverbal Communication  OR
COMM 479  Sex Roles in Communication

Electives (12 units)
Select three UPPER DIVISION COMM courses not included in the major core.

NOTE from the COMM Advisers:

Freshmen should focus on completing General Education courses, which include, as part of GE,
COMM 150 and COMM 176. While completing GE, freshmen may choose other Communication
major courses, beginning with COMM 130 and moving upward through elective choices from
COMM 267, 276, 277, 278, and 290.

SUGGESTED FIRST YEAR 50-UNIT PROGRAM for COMMUNICATION MAJORS:

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<td>COMM 176² (A3)</td>
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*Remedial Math and/or English courses may be required depending on the entering student’s score on
standard placement test (ELM and EPT).

¹COMM 150 Oral Communication: Introduction to effective oral communication through study and experience in
analysis, synthesis, and presentation of informative and persuasive discourse in a public speaking forum.

²COMM 176 Argumentation: Principles of argumentation: reasoned discourse, methods of logical analysis and
reflective thinking, practical application through adaptation of materials to audience situations, argumentative
speech, kinds and forms of debate about current issues.

Course descriptions for other COMM courses may be viewed at
http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/comstud/courses.htm

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