We strive to embody this mission in several ways. We encourage freedom of expression, diversity of perspective, and tolerance of dissent to achieve the informed and responsible decision-making skills fundamental to a civil society and a global community. We cultivate the communication skills necessary to fulfill human potential and contribute to the public well-being. Finally, we promote ethical communication that enhances human worth and dignity by fostering fairness, responsibility, and respect for self and others.

COMMUNICATION STUDIES MAJOR

Our unique and innovative curriculum in Communication Studies offers students an introduction to the field via required courses in topics, theories, and research methods central to communication. Our majors select a concentration in one of three critical areas: Organizational Communication and Leadership, Public Relations, or Health Communication.

Major Requirements

Ten (10) courses are required: Seven (7) core courses and three (3) courses within a specific concentration.

To declare a Communication major, students must complete COM 100, Introduction to Communication Studies, with a grade of 'C' (not C-) or better.

Major Core (4 courses)

Course Name	Crs:	Term Taken	Grade	Gen Ed
COM 100 - Introduction to Communication Studies (Minimum grade "C" required.)				
COM 285 - Research Methods in Communication				
COM 397 - Internship or COM 400 Advanced Project in Communication Studies				
COM 480 - Senior Seminar in Communication Prereq(s): COM Majors Only; Senior Standing.				

200-level Requirement (3 courses)

Course Name	Crs:	Term Taken	Grade	Gen Ed
COM 210 - Public Speaking				
COM 220 - Interpersonal Communication				
COM 230 - Listening				
COM 240 - Intercultural Communication				

Health Communication Concentration Courses (3)

Select three (3) of the following courses:

Course Name	Crs:	Term Taken	Grade	Gen Ed
COM 310 - Family Communication				
COM 325 - Communication Campaigns				
COM 330 - Health Communication				
COM 336 - Communication Across the Lifespan				
COM 340 - Health Policy and Advocacy Communication				
COM 355 - Global Health Communication				

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