

Communication Studies Minor

The minor in communication studies provides students with an opportunity to learn the essentials of how and why we communicate. Students can choose from courses in a variety of interest areas to supplement course work from other disciplines. A minor in communication studies is a great way to enhance a skill set that is important in every career.

Students are advised to take a foundations course before or concurrently with other courses. Students should work with an advisor to select additional courses that are most appropriate to meet their educational goals.

Courses used to satisfy the requirements of the bachelor's degree in communication or another minor in communication may be used to satisfy the foundation requirements of this minor. However, 15 total credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree in communication or another minor in communication must be completed to earn this minor. Courses may be used concurrently to fulfill other university requirements, where appropriate. Students may take COM courses on a credit/no credit basis to meet the requirements of the minor only at the program's discretion.

Requirements

Foundation Courses: Students must complete the following foundational course in communication.

COM 201	Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	3
or COM 203	Introduction to Mass Media	
or COM 204	Introduction to Public Relations and Strategic Communication	

Elective Courses: ¹

Any 200-level, 300-level, or 400-level COM courses (from the approved list)	12
Total Hours	15

¹ Students must complete 12 additional credit hours of electives in Communication. These electives can be any 200-level, 300-level or 400-level COM courses. A maximum of 3 credit hours of electives may come from 200-level COM courses.