



## COMMUNICATION STUDIES

### Area F Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of Area F, students will be able to:

1. Students will demonstrate an introductory collegiate-level understanding of key concepts and theories in the field of communication.
2. Students will demonstrate an introductory collegiate-level competence in communication practices, including written and oral communication.
3. Students will demonstrate an introductory collegiate-level knowledge of diverse cultural values, norms, and communicative behaviors.

### Area F Course Guidelines

Area F consists of 18 hours of lower-division (1000- and 2000-level) courses related to the discipline of the program of study and courses which are prerequisite to higher level major courses in Communication Studies:

#### **Foundations**

**3-6 semester hours**

Courses at the 1000- or 2000-level in:

- COMM 1100 Human Communication
- Interpersonal Communication
- Media Studies/Mass Communication
- Communication and Popular Culture
- Communication Ethics
- Rhetoric and Society

#### **Practices**

**3-6 semester hours**

Courses at the 1000- or 2000-level in:

- COMM 1110 Public Speaking
- Group Communication
- Business and Professional Communication
- Persuasion/Argumentation
- Oral Decision-Making
- Intro to Interviewing
- Perspectives on Public Communication
- Technical Communication
- Introductory Public Relations

#### **Cultural Perspectives**

**3-6 semester hours**

One or two of the following courses:

1000- or 2000-level communication courses in

- Communication and Culture
- Intercultural Communication
- International Communication
- Communication and Diversity
- Ethnic and/or Gender studies
- Special Topics communication courses in these areas.

Foreign Language 1001, 1002, 2001, or 2002

Where appropriate 1000- or 2000-level communication courses are not available, courses in:

- International Studies
- Ethnic and/or Gender Studies
- Global Issues
- Multiculturalism/Diversity

Courses such as Geography 1101 or 1103, POLS 2401, are acceptable as are courses at the 1000- or 2000-level with study abroad/away experiences.

### **Restricted Electives**

**0-9 semester hours**

Disciplinary Classes deemed necessary for the upper division requirements of the institution or accreditation.

- Any 1000- or 2000-level courses in
  - Communication, Journalism, Mass Communication, Public Relations
  - Business
  - Statistics
  - Information Technology
  - Arts, Liberal Arts, Humanities, or Social Sciences

**Total = 18 semester hours**

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