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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS

Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Communication: [Department of Communication](https://www.uccs.edu/department-of-communication) | [Department of Communication \(uccs.edu\)](https://www.uccs.edu/department-of-communication)

Major Requirements			
Communication Major Applied Media Track (Online) (39 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a minimum of 39 credit hours of COMM course work. • Requires a minimum of 18 credit hours of upper-division (3000-4999 level) COMM course work. • Must maintain a minimum 2.0 major GPA (all COMM courses) to graduate. • All COMM courses require a "C" or better. 	COMM 1000	Contemporary Mass Media	3
	COMM 2030	Introduction to Communication Theory	3
	COMM 3510	Research Methods	3
	COMM 3650	Mass Media and Society	3
	COMM 4090	Emerging Communication Technologies	3
	COMM 4740	Entertainment Theory and Research	3
	Foundation Course: Media Skills	COMM 2900 – Writing for the Media	3
	Foundation Course: Media Theory	COMM 4140 – Media Effects OR COMM 4201 – Persuasion (Online)	3
	Foundation Course: Applied Media Studies	COMM 3250 – Principles and Practices of Advertising OR COMM 3480 – Health Communication: Media Perspectives	3
	COMM Electives	Complete 4 additional UNUSED courses from the following list to fulfill total and upper-division hour requirements for the major. COMM 1020, 2900, 3190, 3240, 3250, 3280, 3330, 3350, 3400, 3440, 3480, 3770, 4050, 4140, 4201, 4230, 4690, 4950	12
NOTE: Students are encouraged to complete an internship during their program of study.			
	Senior ePortfolio	Complete the COMM Senior ePortfolio.	0

General Education and Elective Requirements

Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) ENGL 1410 PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio 	
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
Area Requirements (27 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course. <p>NOTE: Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>	
Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements	One course from each list (see degree audit). <i>All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.</i>	
LAS Language other than English Requirement	Complete two semesters of a language other than English equivalent to 1010 & 1020 with high school, transfer, placement exam, or UCCS coursework. <i>Courses taken to fulfill this requirement may also count toward Compass Curriculum Explore - Arts, Humanities and Cultures or general electives. See degree audit for details.</i>	
Compass Curriculum (12 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major and area requirements. Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree. 	Component	Course
	Gateway	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)
	Summit	COMM 4740 (included in major requirements)
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) See Degree Audit
	Inclusiveness	See Degree Audit
	Sustainability	See Degree Audit
General Electives (33 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410	3
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course (<i>INDS 1050</i>)	3
		COMM 1000	3		COMM Elective	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		COMM 2030	3		COMM 3510	3
		COMM Foundation Course - Media Skills	3		COMM Foundation Course – Applied Media Studies	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Natural Science Elective w/Lab	4
		Social Science Elective (<i>Global Awareness</i>)	3		Humanities Elective	3
		Humanities Elective (<i>Writing Intensive</i>)	3		General Elective (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	16

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		COMM 3650	3		COMM Elective	3
		COMM Foundation Course – Media Theory	3		UD COMM Elective	3
		Natural Science Elective	3		Social Science Elective (<i>Cultural Diversity</i>)	3
		General Elective	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		Upper Division (UD) General Elective	3		UD General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		COMM 4090	3		COMM 4740	3
		UD COMM Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective (<i>Sustainability</i>)	3		UD General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15