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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](#) | [Department of Communication \(uccs.edu\)](#)

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. • All COMM courses require a "C" or better. <p>NOTE: Students are encouraged to complete an internship during their program of study.</p>	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 OR COMM 4050 – Managing Social 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	<i>Complete 4 additional courses from the following list to fulfill total and upper-division hour requirements for the major.</i> COMM 1020, 2900, 3190, 3240, 3250, 3280, 3330, 3350, 3400, 3440, 3480, 3770, 4050, 4140, 4201, 4230, 4690, 4900 (with permission of undergraduate director), 4950	12
	Senior ePortfolio	<i>Complete the COMM Senior ePortfolio.</i>	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.	
Core Humanities (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This course also fulfills Navigate and one Writing Intensive course. 	
Natural Sciences Lab (1 hour)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Degree Audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This can be taken as part of an Explore – PNW course that has a lab component 	
Oral Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Degree Audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This course may also fulfill general education or major requirements. 	
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 (21 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major requirements. Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree. 	Component	Course
	Gateway Program Seminar	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)
	Summit	COMM 4740 (included in major requirements)
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) (2 courses) <i>Must include one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements) See Degree Audit
Inclusiveness (2 courses)	See Degree Audit	
Sustainability	See Degree Audit	
General Electives (47 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
		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
		COMM Foundation Course - Media Skills	3		COMM Foundation Course – Applied Media Studies	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3
		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3		Natural Science Lab	1
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		General Elective (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3
					General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	16

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			COMM 3650	3		COMM Elective
		COMM Foundation Course – Media Theory	3		UD COMM Elective	3
		Upper Division (UD) General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	3		UD General Elective	3
		General Elective (<i>Sustainability</i>)	3		General Elective (<i>Writing Intensive</i>)	2
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			COMM 4090	3		COMM 4740
		UD COMM Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15