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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 Digital Film/Media Arts Option (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. • 12 credit hours of COMM courses must be completed at UCCS. 	COMM 2030	Introduction to Communication Theory	3
	COMM 2250	Introduction to Film & Television	3
	COMM 3100	Directing for Film and Television	3
	COMM 3300	Screenwriting	3
	COMM 3460	Digital Film Editing	3
	COMM 4170 or COMM 4270	Documentary Film and Video (<i>fall only</i>) Or Advanced Film and Video (<i>spring only</i>)	3
	Foundation Course: Media Studies	Complete 1 course from the following: COMM 3250, 3500, 3650, 4140	3
	Foundation Course: Specialized Production	Complete 1 course from the following: COMM 2270, 3270, 4900 (<i>Audio Production topic only</i>)	3
	Foundation Course: Narrative Studies	Complete 1 course from the following: COMM 2900, 3400, 3470, 4900 (<i>Creating Podcasts topic only</i>)	3
	Electives	Complete 4 additional UNUSED courses from the following list to fulfill total and upper-division hour requirements for the major. COMM 1000, 1020, 2100, 2270, 2440, 2900, 3000, 3010, 3200, 3250, 3270, 3280, 3400, 3450, 3470, 3500, 3650, 4140, 4170, 4200, 4270, 4460, 4690, 4740, 4900, 9400 (<i>Audio Production topic only</i>)	12
	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 4270 (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 Elective	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 2250	3
		COMM Foundation Course – Media Studies	3		COMM Foundation Course – Specialized Production	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 3100	3		COMM 3300	3
		COMM-3460	3		COMM Foundation Course – Narrative Studies	3
		Natural Science Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		Upper Division (UD) General Elective	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		UD General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	3		UD General Elective (<i>Cultural Diversity</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		COMM Elective	3		COMM 4170 or 4270	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