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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 \(uccs.edu\)](http://Department of Communication | Department of Communication (uccs.edu))

Major Requirements			
Communication Major Media Studies 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. • 12 credit hours of COMM courses must be completed at UCCS. 	COMM 1000	Contemporary Mass Media	3
	COMM 2030	Introduction to Communication Theory	3
	COMM 2500	Research Methods	3
	COMM 3650	Mass Media and Society	3
	COMM 4090	Emerging Communication Technology	3
	COMM 4740	Entertainment Theory and Research	3
	Foundation Course: Media History	<i>Complete 1 course from the following:</i> COMM 3500, 3850	3
	Foundation Course: Media Studies	<i>Complete 1 course from the following:</i> COMM 3250, 3480	3
	Foundation Course: Media Theory	<i>Complete 1 course from the following:</i> COMM 4140, 4200	3
	Electives	<i>Complete 4 additional UNUSED courses from the following list to fulfill total and upper-division hour requirements for the major.</i> COMM 2250, 2270, 2900, 3100, 3200, 3250, 3280, 3300, 3350, 3400, 3450, 3460, 3480, 3500, 3850, 4000, 4050, 4140, 4170, 4200, 4690, 4750, 4900, 9400	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.																				
Area Requirements (27 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements. Courses may not be taken pass/fail 	<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>																				
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. 	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Component</th> <th>Course</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Gateway</td> <td>GPS 1010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Explore – Physical and Natural World</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Navigate</td> <td>HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Summit</td> <td>COMM 4740 (included in major requirements)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i></td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) See Degree Audit </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Inclusiveness</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sustainability</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	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
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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
		GPS 1010	3		INDS 1050	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 2500
		COMM Foundation Course – Media History	3		COMM Foundation Course - 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
		COMM Foundation Course – Media Theory	3		COMM Elective	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 4090	3		COMM 4740
		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
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