

## ACADEMIC ADVISING

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## GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Minimum Graduation Requirements

1. 120 credit hours
2. 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
3. 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
4. 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:

1. All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: [catalog.uccs.edu](http://catalog.uccs.edu)
2. 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.

## MAJOR INFORMATION

Scholars of communication study the complex process of human communication within interpersonal, group, organizational, public, intercultural, media and technological contexts. The ability to communicate abstractly separates humans from all other species. The Department of Communication is designed to educate the student in the complexities of uniquely human communication by focusing on both theoretical and pragmatic concerns.

Major Requirements			
Communication Major Professional Communication Track (Online) (39 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires a minimum of 39 credit hours of COMM course work</li> <li>• Requires a minimum of 21 credit hours of upper-division (3000-4999 level) COMM course work.</li> <li>• Must maintain a minimum 2.0 major GPA (all COMM courses) to graduate.</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Students are encouraged to complete an internship during their program of study.</p>	COMM 1050	Introduction to Professional Communication	3
	COMM 2030	Introduction to Communication Theory	3
	COMM 2500	Research Methods	3
	COMM 3190	Professional Public Speaking: An Online Course	3
	COMM 3240	Business and Professional Communication	3
	COMM 4XXX	Professional Communication Capstone	3
	Organizational Communication Foundation Course	COMM 2240 – Principles of Organizational and Strategic Communication OR COMM 3150 – Team Communication	3
	Leadership Communication Foundation Course	COMM 3440 – Organizational Leadership OR COMM 3770 – Ethical Leadership	3
	Strategic Communication Foundation Course	COMM 2900 – Writing for the Media OR COMM 3350 – Integrated Marketing	3
	COMM Electives	Complete 4 UNUSED courses from the list below to fulfill total and upper-division hour requirements for the major: COMM 1020, 2900, 3200, 3250, 3280, 3330, 3350, 3400, 3440, 3480, 3650, 3770, 4050, 4090, 4160, 4201, 4230, 4600, 4660, 4690, 4950	12
	Senior ePortfolio	Complete the COMM Senior ePortfolio.	0

## General Education and Elective Requirements

<b>Composition</b> (6 hours)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ENGL 1310</li> <li>ENGL 1410</li> <li>PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio</li> </ol>	
<b>Reasoning Skills</b> (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
<b>Area Requirements</b> (27 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements</li> <li>Courses may not be taken pass/fail</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM3990.</li> <li>Social Sciences – 9 credit hours</li> <li>Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course</li> </ol> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>	
<b>Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements</b>	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>	
<b>Compass Curriculum</b> (12 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major and area requirements</li> <li>Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree</li> </ul>	<b>Component</b>	<b>Course</b>
	<b>Gateway</b>	GPS 1010
	<b>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Explore – Physical and Natural World</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Navigate</b>	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)
	<b>Summit</b>	COMM 4201 (included in major requirements)
	<b>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC)</b> <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)</li> <li>See Degree Audit</li> </ol>
<b>Inclusiveness</b>	See Degree Audit	
<b>Sustainability</b>	See Degree Audit	
<b>General Electives</b> (27-33 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
		COMM 1050	3		COMM 2030	3
		GPS 1010	3		INDS 1050	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Humanities Elective	3
		General Elective	3		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			COMM 2500	3		COMM Foundation Course
		COMM Elective	3		COMM Elective	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Natural Science Elective (w/Lab)	4
		Social Science Elective	3		Humanities Elective	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	16

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			COMM 3190	3		COMM 3240
		COMM Foundation Course	3		UD COMM Elective	3
		Natural Science Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		Social Science Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		Upper Division (UD) General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			COMM Foundation Course	3		COMM 4XXX (Capstone)
		UD COMM Elective	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	14