

COMMUNICATION ARTS MAJOR

The curricular goals and objectives of the Communication Arts major were developed using as a template goals and objectives formulated as a result of the Hope College Conference (July 2000), which convened specifically to articulate an ideal undergraduate communication studies curriculum. The Hope College Conference asserts that "an undergraduate degree in communication should educate individuals to be capable of assessing situations and crafting appropriate communicative response to interact effectively with diverse others and to participate as socially responsible members of their increasingly mediated and complex communities." The Judson University program adds to that the lens of biblically-based values and precepts.

Important Notes

- 40% of major requirements must be completed at Judson.
- 40% of major requirements must be upper division.
- Students must also choose a concentration area; concentrations and minors cannot be earned in the same subject.

Gen Eds Required by Major

- DCW301 Reflecting on the Conversation (1 c.h.) Reflecting on the Conversation (fulfills Gen Ed GEN301 Requirement)

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		
DCW101	Introduction to the Community of Worship Performers	0.5
DCW301	Reflecting on the Conversation	1
COM220	Intro to Study of Communication	3
COM311	Language and Society	3
COM314	Intercultural Communication	3
COM442	Communication Theory/Application	3
COM495	Communication Arts Internship	3
COM499	Senior Research Project	3
Advanced Literature Electives		
Select one from the following:		3
ENG210	Advanced Essay Writing	
ENG211	Non-Fiction Prose	
ENG240	Media Writing	
Media Studies		
MUS280	The History of Rock, Pop & Soul:1927-1969	3
or MUS281	The History of Rock, Pop & Soul:1970-Present	
Communication Arts		
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ¹	1
Speech Requirements		
SPC322	Group Discussion	3
Select one from the following:		3
SPC321	Persuasion	
SPC323	Advanced Public Speaking	
SPC325	Storytelling	

SPC330	Speaking the Faith	
Total Hours		32.5

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Communication Studies Concentration

Important Notes:

- Courses may not duplicate with the major requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Advanced Writing		
Select one from the following:		3
ENG210	Advanced Essay Writing	
ENG211	Non-Fiction Prose	
ENG240	Media Writing	
Advanced Literature		
Select one from the following:		3
ENG360	World Classics: European	
ENG361	Hero and Anti-Hero	
ENG362	Man and Woman	
ENG363	Prophetic Comedy	
ENG364	World Classics: Non-Western	
ENG365	Plays That Shaped Western World	
ENG366	Poetry	
ENG367	The Novel	
ENG370	Literature and Spirituality	
ENG371	Nature Literature	
ENG372	Faith and Doubt	
ENG373	Suffering and Hope	
ENG394	Shakespeare: Plays and Performance	
Media Studies		
Select one from the following:		3
MUS280	The History of Rock, Pop & Soul:1927-1969	
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Public Speaking		
SPC220	Oral Interpretation/Literature	3
Select one from the following:		3
SPC321	Persuasion	
SPC322	Group Discussion	
SPC323	Advanced Public Speaking	
SPC325	Storytelling	
SPC330	Speaking the Faith	
Total Hours		15

Media Studies Concentration

Important Notes:

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Code	Title	Hours
Media Core		
BUS443	Public Relations	3
DES331	Web Design I	3
ENG240	Media Writing	3
ESS352	Sports Marketing	3
MUS280	The History of Rock, Pop & Soul:1927-1969	3
or MUS281	The History of Rock, Pop & Soul:1970-Present	
Total Hours		15

Writing Concentration

Important Notes:

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Code	Title	Hours
Writing Core		
COM150	Intro to Sport Broadcast/Info	3
ENG210	Advanced Essay Writing	3
or ENG211	Non-Fiction Prose	
ENG240	Media Writing	3
ENG357	Creative Writing	3
SPC325	Storytelling	3
Total Hours		15

Public Speaking Concentration

Important Notes:

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Code	Title	Hours
Public Speaking Core		
SPC220	Oral Interpretation/Literature	3
SPC221	Speech Tech for Broadcast Media	3
SPC321	Persuasion	3
SPC325	Storytelling	3
SPC330	Speaking the Faith	3
Total Hours		15

Literature Concentration

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Code	Title	Hours
Literature Core		
ENG262	British Literature	3
ENG263	American Literature	3
ENG310	History and Structure of English	3
ENG360	World Classics: European	3
ENG364	World Classics: Non-Western	3
Total Hours		15

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies (even years) (Four-Year Plan)

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A full-time course load for undergraduate students is 12-18 credits per semester. Illinois residents receiving state aid should register for 15 hours per semester.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
BST110	Intro to the Christian Bible	3
ENG101	Expository Writing	3
GEN101	Questions of Life: Entering the Judson Conversation ¹	1
or ESS101	or Wellness	
Physical Activity course		1
SPC120	Foundations of Speech	3
DCW101	Introduction to the Community of Worship Performers	0.5
COM220	Intro to Study of Communication	3
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
Hours		14.5
Second Semester		
Math based on ACT/SAT placement		3
ENG102	Critical Thinking and Writing	3
PSY111	Introduction to Psychology	3
or SOC151	or Introduction to Sociology	
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
Any Electives		6
Hours		15
Second Year		
First Semester		
THS110	Christian Faith: Understanding and Application	3
HIS261	History of Civilization I	3
MUS281	The History of Rock, Pop & Soul:1970-Present	3
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
Concentration Course ³		6
Hours		15
Second Semester		
Gen Ed Visual and Performing Arts Elective		3
HIS262	History of Civilization II	3
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
COM311	Language and Society	3
Advanced Writing Option ⁴		3
Any Elective		3
Hours		15
Third Year		
First Semester		
ENG380	Literature, Community, and Human Flourishing	3
SPC322	Group Discussion	3
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
COM314	Intercultural Communication	3
Concentration Course ³		3
Hours		12

Second Semester		
Gen Ed Biblical Studies Elective		3
Gen Ed Science w/Lab		4
DCW301	Reflecting on the Conversation ⁵	1
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
Any Electives		6
Hours		14
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
Advanced Lit Elective ⁴		3
COM495	Communication Arts Internship	3
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
Any Electives		9
Hours		15
Second Semester		
GEN401	The Good Life: Continuing the Conversation	3
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	1
COM442	Communication Theory/Application	3
COM499	Senior Research Project ⁶	3
Concentration Course ³		3
Any Elective		3
Hours		16
Total Hours		116.5

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First Semester		
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HIS261	History of Civilization I	3
COM220	Intro to Study of Communication	3
COM293	Communication Arts Conference ²	0
Concentration Course ³		3
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Second Semester		
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Gen Ed Science w/Lab		4
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