

BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH A MAJOR IN COMMUNICATION (BA)

Degree Requirements

Hours Required

120 semester credit hours (SCH): 45 hours must be advanced, with fulfillment of degree requirements as specified in the "Requirements for Graduation" section of this catalog.

Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
[University Core Curriculum]		
Select 42 SCH as outlined in the suggested plans and as specified in the "Requirements for Graduation"		42
Math Elective		
Select 3 SCH from any math course above the level of College Algebra		3
Life & Physical Science Lab		
Select 1 SCH compatible with Life & Physical Science course		1
Foreign Language/Study Abroad		
Select 6 SCH in course work (not credit by exam) above the university's foreign language graduation requirement. Thus, students who meet the university's foreign language graduation requirement by earning 6 hours of credit by exam, may take 6 SCH in the same language but at the intermediate level or above, or they may take 6 SCH of another foreign language at the introductory level. This requirement may also be met by earning 6 SCH in any subject while participating in a TAMIU-approved Study Abroad program while living for at least 4 weeks in another country.		6
Major		
COMM 3300	Intro to Theo Prin of Comm	3
COMM 3310	Methods of Inquiry:Quant Rsch	3
COMM 3312	Methods of Inquiry:Qual Rsch	3
COMM 4350	Internship	3
COMM 4360	Comm Theory&Practice	3
Restrictive COMM Electives		
Select 6 SCH from the following:		6
COMM 3102 & COMM 3202	Video Production Lab and Video Production I	
COMM 3132 & COMM 3232	Video Production II Lab and Video Production II	
COMM 3223 & COMM 3123	Video Editing and Post Prod I and Video Editing&Post Prod I Lab	
COMM 3233 & COMM 3133	Video Editing and Post-Prod II and Video Editing&Post Prod Lab	

COMM 3327	Media Writing	
COMM 3331	Photography II: Intro to Photo	
COMM 3332	Broadcasting Production I	
COMM 3333	Broadcasting Production II	
COMM 4330	Special Issues in Comm (if the topic has a media focus)	
Select 12 SCH from remaining COMM courses		12
Minor		
Select a minimum of 18 SCH from one discipline at least twelve of which must be at the 3000-4000 level. See Appendix C. Instead of a minor, students may complete 18 SCH of electives, 12 SCH of which must be at the 3000-4000 level, from any discipline, except the major field, outside the College of Nursing and Health Sciences.		18
General Electives		
Select 17 SCH, at least 12 SCH of which must be at the 3000-4000 level. Students who do not elect to have a minor curriculum may use up to 9 hours of the resulting general electives in their major curriculum		17
Note 1		
Concentration in Media Production will be earned if 15 SCH of the work done for the major is taken from COMM 2331, 3331, 3102/3202, 3123/3223, 3132/3232, 3133/3233, 3309 (if topic has media production focus), 3327, or 4330 (if topic has a media production focus). Student desiring a concentration in Media Production noted on their transcript must request it on their Application for Graduation.		
Note 2		
Certain courses (COMM 3309, 3324 and 4330) may be taken more than once for credit within the degree program when topic changes.		
Total Semester Credit Hours		120

Four-Year Degree Plan

Following is a suggested four-year degree plan. Students are encouraged to see their advisor each semester for help with program decisions and enrollment; responsible for reviewing the **Program of Study Requirements**; responsible for meeting all course prerequisites; and must meet **foreign language** and **writing intensive course** requirements for graduation. See Academic Regulations-Undergraduate online.

		Semester Credit Hours
Freshman		
Fall		
ENGL 1301	English Composition I	3
HIST 1301	The US to 1877	3
MATH 1314	College Algebra	3
UNIV 1201	Learn a Global Context I	2
Creative Arts		3
COMM Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		17
Spring		
ENGL 1302	English Composition II	3

HIST 1302	The US Since 1877	3
UNIV 1302	Signature Course	3
MATH - Math Elective		3
Social/Behavioral Science		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Sophomore

Fall

PSCI 2305	American National Government	3
COMM Elective		3
COMM Elective		3
Language, Philosophy & Culture		3
Life & Physical Science		3
Life & Physical Science Lab		1
Semester Credit Hours		16

Spring

PSCI 2306	American State Government	3
General Elective		3
Life & Physical Science		3
Life & Physical Science Lab		1
Foreign Language/Study Abroad		3
Minor/General Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

Junior

Fall

COMM 3300	Intro to Theo Prin of Comm	3
Adv General Elective		3
Minor/General Elective		3
Adv Minor/General Elective		3
Foreign Language/Study Abroad		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

COMM 3310	Methods of Inquiry:Quant Rsch	3
COMM Elective		3
General Elective		3
Adv General Elective		2
Adv Minor/General Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		14

Senior

Fall

COMM 4360	Comm Theory&Practice	3
COMM 3312	Methods of Inquiry:Qual Rsch	3
Restrictive COMM Elective		3
Adv Minor/General Elective		3
Adv General Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

COMM 4350	Internship	3
Restrictive COMM Elective		3
Adv General Elective		3

Adv Minor/General Elective	3
Semester Credit Hours	12
Total Semester Credit Hours	120

* Major: Certain courses (COMM 3309, COMM 3324, and COMM 4330) may be taken more than once (when topics vary) for credit within the degree program.

BA/MA OPTION: See Combined BA/MA Programs in this section

** Concentration in Media Production (optional): Will be earned if 15 SCH of the work done for the major are taken from COMM 2331, COMM 3102/COMM 3202, COMM 3123/COMM 3223, COMM 3132/COMM 3232, COMM 3133/COMM 3233, COMM 3309 (if topic has media production focus), COMM 3327, COMM 3332, COMM 3333or COMM 4330 (if topic has a media production focus). Students desiring a Concentration in Media Production noted on their transcript must request it on their Application for Graduation.

Actual degree plans may vary depending on availability of courses in a given semester.

Some courses may require prerequisites not listed.