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

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Select 42 SCH as outlined in the suggested plans and as specified in the "Requirements for Graduation"

Life & Physical Science Lab
Select 1 SCH compatible with Life & Physical Science course

Foreign Language/Study Abroad
Select 6 SCH in foreign language coursework (not credit by exam). Students may take 6 SCH in Spanish at the level determined by the Spanish Placement Exam or by satisfying required pre-requisites. Students may take 6 SCH of another foreign language at the introductory level or above. 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.

Major
COMM 3300 Intro to Theo Prin of Comm
COMM 3310 Methods of Inquiry: Quant Rsch
COMM 3312 Methods of Inquiry: Qual Rsch
COMM 4350 Internship

Restrictive COMM Electives
Select 6 SCH from the following:
COMM 3102 Video Production Lab
& COMM 3202 and Video Production I
COMM 3132 Video Production II Lab
& COMM 3232 and Video Production II
COMM 3223 Video Editing and Post Prod I
& COMM 3123 and Video Editing&Post Prod Lab
COMM 3327 Media Writing
COMM 3331 Photography II: Intro to Photo
COMM 3332 Broadcasting Production I

Select 12 SCH from remaining COMM courses

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.

General Electives
Select 20 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.

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, meeting all course prerequisites, and writing intensive course (WIN) requirements for graduation. See Academic Regulations-Undergraduate online.

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### Sophomore
#### Fall
- **PSCI 2305** American National Government  
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Language, Philosophy & Culture**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Life & Physical Science**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Life & Physical Science Lab**  
  - 1 credit hour

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#### Spring
- **PSCI 2306** American State Government  
  - 3 credit hours
- **General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Life & Physical Science**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Life & Physical Science Lab**  
  - 1 credit hour
- **Foreign Language/Study Abroad**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Minor/General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours

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### Junior
#### Fall
- **COMM 3300** Intro to Theo Prin of Comm  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Adv General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Minor/General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Adv Minor/General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Foreign Language/Study Abroad**  
  - 3 credit hours

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#### Spring
- **COMM 3310** Methods of Inquiry:Quant Rsch  
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Adv General Elective**  
  - 2 credit hours
- **Adv Minor/General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours

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### Senior
#### Fall
- **COMM 4360** Comm Theory&Practice  
  - 3 credit hours
- **COMM 3312** Methods of Inquiry:Qual Rsch  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Restrictive COMM Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Adv Minor/General Elective**  
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  - 3 credit hours

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#### Spring
- **COMM 4350** Internship  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Restrictive COMM Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Adv General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours
- **Adv Minor/General Elective**  
  - 3 credit hours

| 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 3333 or 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.