

# 2025-2026 Communication Studies BA/BS Degree Plan

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ UMID: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Advisor name: \_\_\_\_\_ Concentration: None



## The Purpose of General Education is to Gain:

- Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World
- Intellectual and Practical Skills
- Personal and Social Responsibility
- Integrative and Applied Learning

## Key Courses For General Education (53 hours)

- First Year Experience (3)**  
 Choose: UM 101 or HNRS 101 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 1. Written Composition (6)**  
 Choose: ENG 101 or 103. 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Choose: ENG 102 or 104. 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Humanities & Fine Arts (18)**  
 Choose one: ENG 231, 233, 232 or 234.\* 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*Students must complete a six-hour sequence in either History or Literature. Students may complete both sequences.  
 Choose: COMS 101 or 102. 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Choose one Fine Arts: ART 100, 120, 220; MC 100, 325; MUS 121 or 122, 125, 211, 240, 255, 342; THEA 120 or 122, 123. 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Choose one Humanities: AAS 200; ENG 231 or 233, 232 or 234; FRN 101, 102, 150, 201, 202, 250; SPN 101 or 103, 102 or 104, 150, 201, 202, 250; GER 101, 102, 201, 202; PHIL 110 or 111, 180, 220 or 221, 230, 280, 290; REL 110. 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Choose two of the following (not used above): AAS 200; ART 100, 120, 220; ENG 231 or 233, 232 or 234; FRN 101, 102, 150, 201, 202, 250; SPN 101 or 103, 102 or 104, 150, 201, 202, 250; GER 101, 102, 201, 202; MC 100, 325; MUS 121, or 122, 125, 211, 240, 255, 342; PHIL 110 or 111, 180, 220 or 221, 230, 280, 290; REL 110; THEA 120 or 122, 123. 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Natural Sciences & Mathematics (11)**  
 Choose one lab science from two different disciplines: BIO 100, 105-107; CHEM 100-102, 121, 122; ESCI 100; GEOL 110, 115; PHYS 100 or higher. 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Choose: MATH 147 or 154 (or MATH 144 or higher). 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. History, Social & Behavioral Sciences (12)**  
 Choose one: HIST 101, 103, 102 or 104.\* 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Choose three of the following not used above: EC 231, 232; FCS 291, 302; GEOG 231; HIST 101 or 103, 102 or 104; POS 200, 250; PSYC 201/202; SOC 101/102; SWK 203, 260, 322. 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Personal Development (3)**  
 Choose one of the following: 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 ART 250, 255; CS 161; ED 447; ES 200; FCS 281; EXNS 120; MATH 261; MIS 161; MUS 228.

## Major Course Requirements (39 hours)

- Core (21 hours)**
- COMS 140 (Principles of Public Speaking) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 141 (Interpersonal Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 200 (Introduction to Comm. Research Methods) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 299 (Career & Professional Development) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 330 (Persuasion) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 355 (Intercultural Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 499 (Senior Seminar) 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- Choose 18 hours from the following:**
- COMS 220 (Introduction to Public Relations) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 310 (Social Media and Public Relations) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 320 (Communication Theory) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 344 (Organizational Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 350 (Nonverbal Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 360 (Small Group Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 365 (Family Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 375 (Gender Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 390 (Communication, Leadership, & Society) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 410 (Environmental Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 415 (Crisis Communication) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 420 (Interpersonal Conflict Management) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 430 (Argumentation and Debate) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 435 (Social Movement Rhetoric) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 445 (Comm. Training and Development) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 450 (Rhetoric and Public Culture) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 460 (Seminar in Communication Studies) 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 475 (Internship in Communication Studies) 1-6 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 491 (Directed Study) 1-3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMS 495 (Public Relations Campaigns) 3 \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Requirements for Degree (7-12 hours)

Choose and complete only one requirement below:

### Bachelor of Science Requirements (7)

Choose additional 7 hours in mathematics and/or science not used toward requirement #3 above.

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### Bachelor of Arts Requirements (up to 12 hours)

Students must complete either:

- the second-year course sequence in ASL, FRN, GER, or SPN.
- OR the first-year course sequence in two different languages.

Other options to complete the BA requirements are found in the Bulletin.

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## General Electives (16-21 hours)

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## Minor Course Requirements (Optional)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs. Req. \_\_\_\_\_  
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## GENERAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

1. 50% of crs in major area at UM
2. 30 hrs 300/400 at UM
3. 30 of last 40 hours at UM
4. 64 hr limit from 2-year school
5. 45 hr limit of non-traditional credit
6. 6-hr sequence in history or literature
7. Capstone experience within major
8. 2.0 or higher UM GPA and in all major and minor areas

Total Hours Required: 120  
 Total Hours Completed to Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hours Remaining for Completion: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hours Currently Registered: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hours Remaining: \_\_\_\_\_

For planning only. Refer to Degree Works for official degree evaluation.