

Elective Course Options for Communication Studies Majors – Fall 2023

Important Notes:

1. If a course is required for your major, it cannot also count as an elective in your Communication Studies plan of study. You can find a checklist for your specific major sequence from the University Catalog (<https://illinoisstate.edu/catalog/>)
2. **Double check all prerequisites on Course Finder** (<https://coursefinder.illinoisstate.edu/>) to make sure you are eligible to enroll in a particular course.
3. Courses not included on this list are major-blocked for students in other Communication majors (i.e., Mass Media, Journalism or Public Relations).
4. Overrides into full courses are not considered. If a course is full, you should select another option. If you are in immediate need of a specific course for graduation, please contact your academic advisor.

Elective Course Options:

- COM 201: Communication and Social Issues
- COM 202: Persuasive Communication
- COM 225: Nonverbal Communication
- COM 226: Classical Rhetoric
- COM 228: Introduction to Interview
- COM 238: Introduction to Advertising
- COM 240: Visual Communication
- COM 269: Magazine Production & Design
- COM 274: Environmental Communication
- COM 287: Independent Study (*contact advisor for more details*)
- COM 291: Undergraduate Teaching Assistantship (*contact advisor for more details*)
- COM 303: Controversy and Contemporary Society
- COM 304: Freedom of Speech & Press
- COM 320: Mass Media: Cultural Criticism & Problems
- COM 324: Theory and Research in Persuasion
- COM 366: Web Production & Design
- COM 367: Ethical Problems in Mass Media
- COM 371: International Political Communication
- COM 374: News Literacy
- COM 390, Section 002: Topics in Contemporary Communication (Race & Visual Rhetoric)
- COM 398A03: Internships for Communication Studies Majors (*requires consent of the instructor, contact Tom Lamonica at talamon@ilstu.edu for more details*)