

# Communication Studies (B.A.)

## Political Communication

School of Communication

2017-2018 Undergraduate Catalog



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## sample plan of study

The requirements below pertain to the 2017-2018 Undergraduate Catalog and are intended as a guide for academic planning. Students should consult with their academic advisor to discuss their individual plan of study.

### General Education (36-43 credit hours)

Please consult your Undergraduate Catalog for a complete list of General Education courses.

#### Communication and Composition (2 courses required)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 110 Communication as Critical Inquiry
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 ENG 101 or ENG 101A10 Composition as Critical Inquiry

#### Mathematics (1 course required)

Please see major requirements for mathematics options

#### Natural Science/Natural Science Alternatives (2 courses required)

Students must complete 1 course from 2 different sciences.

#### United States Traditions (1 course required)

#### Individuals & Civic Life (1 course required)

#### Fine Arts (1 course/3 credit hours required)\*\*\*

#### Humanities (1 course required)\*\*\*

#### Language in the Humanities (1 course required)\*\*\*

#### Quantitative Reasoning (1 course required)

Exempt for Communication Studies majors

#### Science, Math, & Technology (1 course required)

#### Social Sciences (1 course required)\*\*\*

### Additional Graduation Requirements

\_\_\_\_\_/120 minimum total credit hours

\_\_\_\_\_/42 minimum senior college hours

\_\_\_\_\_ College of Arts & Sciences language requirement

#### AMALI requirement

\*\*\*certain courses in General Education fulfill the AMALI requirement

#### B.A. LAN 115 (1 course required)

### Major (45 credit hours)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1 COM 100 Introduction to the Study of Communication
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 111 Introduction to Communication Theories
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 123 Interpersonal Communication
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 201 Communication & Social Issues (P: COM 111)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 210 Communication & Critical Thinking (P: COM 110)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 223 Small Group Processes
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 226 Classical Rhetoric (P: COM 111)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 229 Foundations of Organizational Communication
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 272 Foundations of Intercultural Communication (P: COM 111)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 297 Communication Research Methods (P: COM 111; 60+ earned hours)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 371 Political Communication (P: COM 111)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2 COM 388 Senior Capstone: Communication Studies (P: COM 110, 111, 297; 90+ earned hours; 24 hours in major field)

#### Take one of the following courses:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 303 Controversy & Contemporary Society (P: COM 111)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 COM 304 Freedom of Speech & Press (P: COM 111)

#### Take three (9 credit hours) additional Political Communication electives:

(COM 202, 218, 225, 227, 228, 296, 299, 302, 303, 304, 318, 321, 323, 324, 325, 328, 329, 331, 369, 370, 372, 375, 398)

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Total Hours Required for Political Communication - 120	
<b>First Year</b> <i>Fall Semester (16 credit hours)</i> _____ ENG 101 or COM 110 (3) _____ General Education course (3) _____ General Education course (3) _____ SPA 115 B.A. language (4) _____ University wide elective (3)	<i>Spring Semester (16 credit hours)</i> _____ ENG 101 or COM 110 (3) _____ SPA 116 (4) LH – Gen Ed _____ General Education course (3) _____ General Education course (3) _____ General Education course (3)
<b>Second Year</b> <i>Fall Semester (15 credit hours)</i> _____ COM 111 (3) _____ COM 223 (3) _____ General Education course (3) _____ SPA 213 - (3) _____ University wide elective (3)	<i>Spring Semester (13 credit hours)</i> _____ COM 100 (1) _____ COM 123 (3) _____ COM 229 (3) _____ SPA 214 or 240 (3) _____ General Education course (3)
<b>Third Year</b> <i>Fall Semester (15 credit hours)</i> _____ COM 201 (3) _____ COM 210 (3) _____ COM 297 (3) _____ SPA 215 or 233 (3) _____ General Education course (3)	<i>Spring Semester (15 credit hours)</i> _____ COM 226 (3) _____ COM 272 (3) _____ Senior College Political Communication elective (3) _____ General Education course (3) _____ University wide elective (3)
<b>Fourth Year</b> <i>Fall Semester (15 credit hours)</i> _____ COM 303 or 304 (3) _____ COM 371 (3) _____ Senior College Political Communication elective (3) _____ University wide elective (3) _____ AMALI requirement (SPA 244) or University wide elective (3)	<i>Spring Semester (16 credit hours)</i> _____ COM 388 (2) _____ Senior College Political Communication elective (3) _____ University wide elective (4) _____ University wide elective (3) _____ Senior College University wide elective (3) _____ Senior College University wide elective (1)

### NOTES:

**Brazil participants will complete COM 320 & COM 390 either the summer between their second/third year or third/fourth year. This will take the place of two com studies major electives.**

Please consult with your academic advisor regarding University wide electives and appropriate minors/endorsements.