

Elective Course Options for Public Relations Majors – Fall 2023

Important Notes:

1. **If a course is required for your major, it cannot also count as an elective** in your Public Relations plan of study. You can find a checklist for your specific major sequence from the [University Catalog](#).
2. **Double check all prerequisites on [Course Finder](#)** 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 as of this time. If you are interested in these courses, you are welcome to submit an override request. Requests will be reviewed around finals week, so it is recommended that you enroll in an alternate course.
4. Override requests into full courses are not considered. 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 223: Small Group Processes
- COM 225: Nonverbal Communication
- COM 226: Classical Rhetoric
- COM 228: Introduction to Interview
- COM 229: Foundations of Organizational Communication (*COM 229 or 329 is required for major*)
- COM 238: Intro to Advertising
- COM 240: Visual Communication
- COM 269: Magazine Production & Design
- COM 272: Intercultural Communication
- 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 and Problems
- COM 324: Theory and Research in Persuasion
- COM 329: Organizational Communication (*COM 229 or 329 is required for major*)
- COM 366: Web Production & Design
- COM 367: Ethical Problems in Mass Media
- COM 371: International Political Communication
- COM 374: News Literacy
- COM 390: Topics in Contemporary Communication (Race & Visual Rhetoric)
- COM 398A06: Internships for Public Relations Majors (*contact Tom Lamonica, talamon@ilstu.edu, for more details*)