Communication Studies-BA THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND FALL 2025-SPRING 2026

120 Credits Total 33-51 Credits in Major

ABOUT THE COMMUNICATION STUDIES DEGREE:

The BA degree program in Communication Studies provides maximum flexibility in planning for a variety of academic and occupational goals. The curriculum is personalized for each student and specific curricular, extracurricular, and internship programs are planned as integral parts of each student's program. Courses provide the student diversity or a more focused approach, depending on the student's needs and goals.

Step 1:

Prerequisite to Major:

Course	Semester	Credits	Grade
COM 100*		3	

Major Requirements:

Course	Semester	Credits	Grade
COM 202		3	
COM 221		3	
COM 381		3	
COM 382		3	
SCM 495		3	
COM 2		3	
COM 3		3	
COM 3		3	
COM 4		3	
COM 4		3	
COM 4		3	

COM 100 is a prerequisite toward the major and will not count toward the 33 credit minimum or the 51 credit maximum.

<u>COM 477, 491, and 492 will not count</u> <u>toward the major.</u> 30 credits at the 300-level or higher (major and general education courses may fulfill this requirement)

Course	Credits	Course	Credits

Free elective credits (to meet the 120 credits required for graduation):

*Course approved for general education credit

Please note: Both major and cumulative GPA must be 2.00 or higher in order to graduate.

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GENERAL EDUCATION GUIDELINES: General education is 40 credits. Each of the twelve outcomes (A1-D1) must be met by at least 3 credits. A single course may meet more than one outcome, but cannot be double counted towards the 40 credit total. At least one course must be a Grand Challenge (G). No more than twelve credits can have the same course code (note- HPR courses may have more than 12 credits). General education courses may also be used to meet requirements of the major or minor when appropriate.

Step 2:

Step 3:

Gene	ral Educati	on Credit Coun	t	Gen
At least 40 cr	edits, no mos same cou	re than 12 credits rse code.	with the	KNOWLI A1. STEM
Course	Cr.	Course	Cr.	A2. Social
			en	A3. Huma
				A4. Arts &
				COMPET
				B1. Write
				B2. Comm
				B3. Mathe
				computation
				B4. Inform
				RESPON
				C1. Civic responsibi
				C2. Globa
				C3. Divers
				INTEGRA
				D1. Abilit
				GRAND G
				G. Check
		Total Gen Ed		your 40 cr
		credits	40	course

General Education Outcome Audit			
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KNOWLEDGE			
A1. STEM			
A2. Social & Behavioral Sciences			
A3. Humanities			
A4. Arts & Design			
COMPETENCIES			
B1. Write effectively			
B2. Communicate effectively			
B3. Mathematical, statistical, or			
computational strategies			
B4. Information literacy			
RESPONSIBILITIES			
C1. Civic knowledge &			
responsibilities			
C2. Global responsibilities			
C3. Diversity and Inclusion			
INTEGRATE & APPLY			
D1. Ability to synthesize			
GRAND CHALLENGE			
G. Check that at least one course of			
your 40 credits is an approved "G"			
course			

SEE OPPOSITE SIDE FOR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.

NOTE: This worksheet sheet is a snapshot of your entire curriculum. You must work with your advisor each term to discuss requirements to keep you on course for timely progress to complete this major. Official requirements for graduation are listed in the University Catalog.