

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies
SPEECH PERFORMANCE EMPHASIS CURRICULUM GUIDE

FRESHMAN SEMESTER – 1			FRESHMAN SEMESTER – 2		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Course Number	Course Name	Credits
ENGL 1301	Academic Writing and Argumentation	3 hours	ENGL 1302 (PR) or 2311 (PR)	Research and Rhetoric or Professional and Technical writing	3 hours
CORE 90	Institutionally Designated Option	3 hours	CORE 30	Natural Science Core	3-4 hrs
CORE 20	Mathematics Core	3 hours	CORE 50	Visual & Performing Arts Core	3 hours
MCOM 1307	Introduction to Mass Communication	3 hour	CORE 60	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours
COMM 1315	Basic Public Speaking	3 hours	COMM 1318	Interpersonal Communication	3 hours
COMM 2178	Forensics	1 hour	COMM 2178	Forensics	1 hour
Total Semester Hours		16	Total Semester Hours		16-17

SOPHOMORE SEMESTER – 1			SOPHOMORE SEMESTER – 2		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Course Number	Course Name	Credits
SP/PERF ELECTIVE	See list below ♦	3 hours	POSC 2306	State & Local Govt.	3 hours
POSC 2305 or 2370	American National Government	3 hours	SP/PERF ELECTIVE	See list below ♦	3 hours
ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours	ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours
COMM 2376	Communication Theory	3 hours	CORE 30	Natural Science Core	3-4 hrs
CORE 80(N)	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours	ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours
COMM 2178	Forensics	1 hour			
Total Semester Hours		16	Total Semester Hours		15-16

JUNIOR SEMESTER – 1			JUNIOR SEMESTER – 2		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Course Number	Course Name	Credits
Foreign Language	Refer to Degree Checklist	3-4 hrs	COMM 3315 (PR)	Research Methods (PR)	3 hours
COMM 3341	Persuasion	3 hours	SP/PERF ELECTIVE	See list below ♦	3 hours
SP/PERF ELECTIVE	See list below ♦	3 hours	COMM 2377 or 3370 or ELECTIVE(N)	Intercultural Communication (<i>if not taken for Core 80</i>) or Gender Comm.	3 hours
CORE 60	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours	Foreign Language	Refer to Degree Checklist	3-4 hrs
ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours	ELECTIVE	Non Communications Studies	0-3 hrs
Total Semester Hours		15-16	Total Semester Hours		12-15

SENIOR SEMESTER – 1			SENIOR SEMESTER – 2		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Course Number	Course Name	Credits
SP/PERF ELECTIVE	See list below ♦	3 hours	BA Requirement	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours
ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours	ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours
COMM 4301	Introduction to Rhetorical Criticism	3 hours	ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours
BA Requirement	Refer to Degree Checklist	3 hours	ELECTIVE	Free Elective	3 hours
			ELECTIVE	Free Elective	0-3 hrs
Total Semester Hours		12	Total Semester Hours		12-15

F=Fall only PR=Prerequisite N=See note S=Spring only SU=Summer only

Notes:

- **COMM 2377 or 3370 or ELECTIVE:** If 2377 is taken to satisfy **Core 80** requirement, Communication Studies Core is 15 hours, which allows three additional elective hours.
- For the performance option, students should take COMM 2178 Forensics their first 3 semesters of school.
 Note: Any combination of hours from COMM 2178 and 4278 may be repeated for a total of eight semester hours of credit; however only four hours of forensics can count toward the speech major.
- **COMM 3315:** prerequisite is COMM 2376.
- **ELECTIVES:** Students may take additional course work in Communication Studies (COMM) to fulfill their **Free Elective** requirements; however, the total number of COMM hours cannot exceed 60.

♦ **SPEECH PERFORMANCE ELECTIVES—15 hours (if COMM 2178 is taken 3X) from:** COMM 2178, 2335 (F), 2341 (F), 3301 (S of even years), 3302 (S of odd years), 3325 (F), 3399 (PR: instructor consent; must be taken in two semesters), 4278, 4330, 4370 (F of even years), 4373 (SU).

♦♦ **ELECTIVE HOURS:** Hours needed will vary according to hours completed for Core 30 and foreign language. Minimal total for degree is 120 hours.