

## Degree Map

### A.A. in Liberal Arts and Sciences – Communication Studies Concentration – Catalog Year 2025-26

The number of credits you take each year will determine when you graduate. To graduate on time, you are strongly encouraged to enroll in at least 30 credits toward your degree during the calendar year, including fall and spring semesters and winter and summer sessions. This degree map is designed for students who place into **developmental English and math**. An additional map is available for students who place into ENGL-101 and MA-321. Please see the degree website or your advisor for more information.

This concentration includes up to 9 credits of major elective course work that can be selected based on a student's future field of study. The faculty recommend the following elective choices for three major career areas.

- Communication Studies: take SP-101 and two courses from the following: SP-212, SP-213, SP-214 or SP-217
- Communication Sciences and Disorders: take SP-215, SP-216, and one course from the following SP-212 or SP-213
- Multimedia Communications: take SP-217, FMP-245, and SP-321 or TH-120

Courses in **Bold Text** are prerequisites for later courses and should be taken where indicated in the sequence.

#### Fall Semester #1

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites and Corequisites <sup>1</sup>
<b>ENGL-101 English Composition I (ALP section)</b> (Required Core 1A - English Composition)	3	Pre/corequisite: Must satisfy developmental requirement in English or be co-enrolled in ENGL-99
<b>ENGL-99 Developing Competence in College Reading, Writing, &amp; Study Skills</b>	0 (4 eq.)	Corequisite: ENGL-101
<b>MA-321 Mathematics in Contemporary Society</b> (Required Core 1B: Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning)	3	Pre/corequisite: Must satisfy developmental requirement in math or be co-enrolled in MA-321 ALP
<b>MA-321 ALP Mathematics in Contemporary Society</b>	0 (2 eq.)	Corequisite: MA-321
Communication Studies Concentration: Take one course from table below <sup>2</sup>	3	None
<b>Total credits for the term</b>	<b>9 + 6 eq.</b>	

### Spring Semester #1

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites and Corequisites <sup>1</sup>
<b>ENGL-102 English Composition II</b> (Required Core 1A: English Composition)	3	Prerequisite: ENGL-101 or placement
SP-211 Speech Communication	3	None
One course from Flexible Core 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, or 2E <sup>3</sup>	3	Check individual courses for prerequisites and corequisites
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<b>Total credits for the term</b>	<b>15</b>	

### Summer Session

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites and Corequisites <sup>1</sup>
One course from Required Core 1C: Life & Physical Sciences	3-4	Check individual courses for prerequisites and corequisites
Science Laboratory course <sup>5</sup>	0-1	Corequisite: 3-credit Science course in Required Core 1C
HE-101 Personal Health and Wellness or HE-102 Health, Behavior and Society	1-2	Prerequisite: None
<b>Total credits for session</b>	<b>5-6</b>	

### Fall Semester #2

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites and Corequisites <sup>1</sup>
One course from the ENGL-200 series	3	Prerequisite: ENGL-102
Communication Studies Concentration: Take one course from table below <sup>2</sup>	3	See table below
<b>One Modern Language course</b> - placement required <sup>6</sup>	3-4	Check individual courses for prerequisites and corequisites
One course from Flexible Core 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, or 2E <sup>3</sup>	3	Check individual courses for prerequisites and corequisites
One course from Flexible Core 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, or 2E <sup>3</sup>	3	Check individual courses for prerequisites and corequisites
<b>Total credits for the term</b>	<b>15-16</b>	

## Spring Semester #2

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites and Corequisites <sup>1</sup>
One Modern Language course (next in sequence) <sup>6</sup>	3-4	Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in previous course
Communication Studies Concentration: Take one course from table below <sup>2</sup>	3	See table below
One course from Flexible Core 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, or 2E <sup>3</sup>	3	Check individual courses for prerequisites and corequisites
HIST-110, HIST-111, or HIST-112 <sup>4</sup>	3	Corequisite: ENGL-101
Two 1 credit courses from the PE-400, PE-500 or DAN-100 series	2	None
Free Electives to reach 60 credits	0-1	Check individual courses for prerequisites and corequisites
<b>Total credits for the term</b>	<b>14-16</b>	
<b>Total credits required for the A.A.</b>	<b>60</b>	

### Notes:

1. Prerequisites for a course must be passed before taking the course. Corequisites must be passed before taking the course or taken in the same term as the course.
2. If any of the Communication Studies courses are taken as a part of common core, students must elect courses from the list to complete the 8-9 credits in the concentration.
3. Students must complete one course from each of the Flexible Core categories (2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, and 2E) and one additional course from any one of the categories.
4. If HIST-110, HIST-111, or HIST-112 is taken for Flexible Core 2A, take one additional major elective course from the table below.
5. This course is not required for students who take a 4-credit STEM variant course in Required Core 1C.
6. Two sequential courses in the same language are required. Please visit the [Department of Modern Languages and Cultures](#) for placement into the first course.

Students must complete a minimum of 48 Liberal Arts and Sciences courses for this program. [Please see the catalog](#) for course subjects that fall into that category.

*All students must complete two (2) WI designated classes to fulfill degree requirements.*

Communication Studies Concentration – Students must take 8-9 credits from the following table:

**Take two courses from:**

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites and Corequisites
SP-101 - Introduction to Communications Studies	3	None
SP 212 - Interpersonal Communication	3	Corequisite: ENGL-101
SP 213 - Intercultural Communication	3	None
SP 214 - Communication in a Professional Setting	3	None
SP 215 - Phonetics	3	None
SP 216 - Introduction to Language Science and Linguistics	3	None
SP-217 - Business Communications	3	None
SP 321 - Oral Performance for the Actor and Speaker	3	None
TH-120 - Acting I	3	None
FMP-245 - Introduction to Electronic Media	3	None

***Recommended courses by field of communications:***

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