**COMMUNICATION BA/BS REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST (Effective Fall 2023- last updated 5/2023)**

- Choose 1 of the 4 emphases to complete along with general education and bachelor's degree requirements. Must earn a C or better in major courses. Use Degree Audit with this worksheet to plan courses.
- A total of 14 Communication courses are required for the major. Minimum 2.75 GPA and one completed COMM course are required to declare. Emphases will need to be declared and will print on transcript but not diploma.

### GPA & HOUR REQUIREMENTS

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### COMM STUDIES EMPHASIS

- Core: Required 3 Courses
  - 1020
  - 2020
  - 3030 CW

- Foundations: Choose 4 Courses
  - 1270 QR
  - 1500
  - 2110 BF
  - 3115

- Must include at least one research course:
  - 3460
  - 3700 CW
  - 3710 QI

- Theory/Methods: Choose 3 Courses
  - 3000
  - 3020
  - 3040
  - 3070 DV
  - 3110
  - 3120
  - 3140
  - 3200

- Advanced: Choose 2 Courses
  - 5110
  - 5115
  - 5116
  - 5117

### SCIENCE, HEALTH, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND RISK COMM EMPHASIS

- *Must complete gen ed science requirement before declaring the emphasis*

- Core: Required 1 Course
  - 3115

- Methods/Skills: Choose 4 Courses
  - 1020
  - 2580
  - 3510
  - 3550

- 3580
  - 3690
  - 4170

- Advanced: Choose 4 Courses
  - 2360
  - 4650
  - 5115
  - 5116

### STRATEGIC COMM EMPHASIS

- Core: Required 2 Courses
  - 1130
  - 1270 CB
  - 1500
  - 2020

- Methods/Skills: Choose 4 Courses
  - 2110 BF
  - 3030 CW
  - 3115
  - 3405

- 3550
  - 3580
  - 4570

- Must include at least one skills course:
  - 1535

### JOURNALISM EMPHASIS

- Core: Required 3 Courses
  - 1610
  - 3555 CW
  - 4555

- Writing/Reporting: Choose 2 Courses
  - 3520
  - 3600
  - 4610

- Visual: Choose 3 Courses
  - 1535
  - 2530
  - 3510

- Practical: Choose 1 Course
  - 3610

### ELECTIVES TO CONSIDER:

- QB COMM 1270 – Analysis of Argument
- BF COMM 2110 – Interpersonal Comm
- CW Multiple options (check catalog)
- DV COMM 3070 – Comm & Gender
- DV COMM 3190 – Intercultural Comm
- IR COMM 5610 – IT & Global Conflict
- IR COMM 5620 – International Comm
- QI COMM 3710 – Intro Quant Research

### EXAMPLES OF QI COURSES

- FCS 3500 – Financial Skills
- POLS 3001 – Political Analysis
- SOC 3650 – Population & Society

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- QI not required for BA
- BA language not required for BS:

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COMM 3710 – Intro Quant Research

**Notes:**

- See page 2 for a more detailed list of courses including prerequisites
- Always check your Degree Audit in CIS to verify academic progress
Communication Studies Emphasis

Core: REQUIRED THREE COURSES
1020 Principles of Public Speaking (3)
2020 Communication Theory and Life (3)
3775 Korean Media and Culture (1-4)
3910 Independent Study - by application only (1-4)
4170 Communication and Leadership (3)
4360 Consuming the Earth (3)
Advanced: CHOOSE TWO COURSES
5110 Inter’p Comm: Current Research [prereq: 2110] (3)
5115 Health Communication (3)
5116 Health, Communication, and Culture (3)
5117 Health Campaigns and Media (3)
5118 Health Literacy (3)
5140 Communication and Aging (3)
5150 Dialogue and Cultural Studies (3)
5200 Persuasion and Political Communication (3)
5320 Freedom of Expression (3)
5330 Visual Rhetoric and Political Argumentation (3)
5340 Communication and Law (3)
5360 Environmental Communication (3)
5365 Communicating Climate Change (3)
5540 Communication and Race (3)
5610 IT & Global Conflict (3)
5620 International Communication (3)
5710 Quant Comm Research [prereq: 3710] (3)
Capstone: CHOOSE ONE COURSE
4999 Honors Thesis (for Honors students only) (5)
5000 Studies in Communication
[coreq: 3460, 3700, or 3710] (3)
5400 Communication and Social Justice
[coreq: 3460, 3700, or 3710] (3)
Electives: COMPLETE ONE COMM ELECTIVE
• One COMM elective can be any level

Science, Health, Env, Risk Emphasis

*Must complete general education required science (31/5/AS courses) before declaring emphasis

Core: REQUIRED ONE COURSE
3115 Comm, Science, Health, and Environment (3)
Method/Skills: CHOOSE FOUR COURSES
3115 Comm Science, Health, Environment (3)
2110 Intro to Interpersonal Communication (3)
2580 Strategic Communication Theory & Practice (3)
Previously 4580
3510 Intro to Web Design (3)
3550 Principles of Visual Communication (3)
3580 Strategic Communication Special Topics (3)
3690 Making Brands Stick (3)
4170 Communication and Leadership (3)
4570 Visual Design and Editing – Photoshop (4)
4590 Writing for Strategic Communication
[prereq: 3610 or 1130 and 2580] (3)
5200 Persuasion and Political Communication (3)
5300 Mass Comm Law [prereq: 1500 or 2580]
must be declared and at Senior level (3)
5490 Communication and Social Justice (3)
5590 Integrated Marketing Communication (3)
5640 Communication, Technology, and Culture (3)
5950 Advanced Special Topics in Strategic Comm (3)
Advanced: CHOOSE FOUR COURSES
2360 Consuming the Earth (1)
4650 Environmental Reporting
[prereq: WRTG 2010] (4)
5115 Health Communication (3)
5116 Health Communication, and Culture (3)
5117 Health Campaigns and Media (3)
5118 Health Literacy (3)
5140 Communication and Aging (3)
5360 Environmental Communication (3)
5365 Communicating Climate Change (3)
5515 Usable Web Design (3)
5540 Communication and Race (3)
5565 Social Media Journalism [prereq: 1610 or 1130]
and 2580] (4)
5610 IT & Global Conflict (3)
5660 Media Ethics [prereq: COMM 3555 and 1500 or
3505 or 2580 or 4580] (3)
5665 Social Media Journalism [prereq: 1610 or 1130] (3)
5775 Voices of Utah [coreq: 3555] (4)
5850 Advanced Special Topics in Journalism
[coreq 3555] (3)
Electives: COMPLETE TWO COMM ELECTIVES
• One COMM elective can be any level
• One COMM elective must be a 5000-level

Notes:

Strategic Communication Emphasis

Core: REQUIRED TWO COURSES
1130 Media Writing (3) [coreq: WRTG 2010]
2580 Strategic Communication Theory & Practice (3)
Previously 4580
Method/Skills: CHOOSE FOUR COURSES
1270 Analysis of Argument (3) QB
1500 Media and Society - previously 3505
Earlier titled Intro Media Bus Ethics (3)
2020 Communication Theory and Life (3)
Previously 3505 Theoretical Perspectives in Comm
2110 Intro to Interpersonal Communication (3) BF
3115 Comm Science, Health, Environment (3)
3405 Rhetoric: Aristotle to #Twitter (3)
3500 Principles of Visual Communication (3)
3580 Strategic Communication Special Topics (3)
3595 Documentary Photo [prereq: 1535 or 3700] (4)
Practical: CHOOSE ONE COURSE
3610 Internship - by application online (1-6)
3630 Absolute Communication [preq: 60+ credits] (3)
Research: REQUIRED ONE COURSE
3710 Intro to Quant Comm Research [preq: QA Math] (4) QI
Advanced: REQUIRED TWO COURSES
4590 Writing for Strategic Communication
[prereq: 1610 or 1130 and 2580] (3)
5100 Special Topics in Strategic Comm (3)
Capstone: CHOOSE ONE COURSE
5555 Intermediate Journalism (3)
Writing/Reporting: CHOOSE TWO COURSES
3520 Radio Journalism [prereq: 1610 or 1130] (3)
3600 Digital Media & Professional Editing and Design
[preq: 1610 or 1130] (3)
4610 Magazine Writing [prereq: 1610 or 1130] (3)
4650 Environmental Reporting
[preq: WRTG 2010] (4)
4670 Speciality Reporting
[preq: 1610 or 1130] (3)
5665 Social Media Journalism [prereq: 1610 or 1130] (3)
Visual: CHOOSE 3 COURSES
1535 Basic Digital Photography (4)
2530 Photographic Journalism [preq: 1535] (4)
3510 Intro to Web Design (3)
3530 Adv Photo [preq: 1535 or ART 2060] (4)
3540 Intro to Podcasting (3) [preq: 1610]
3560 Video Production I (4)
4520 Broadcast Journalism [preq: 3560] (4)
4560 Documentary Production [preq: 3560] (4)
4570 Design and Editing – Photoshop (4)
5555 Documentary Photography [preq: 1535] (4)
5570 True Crime Podcasting
5750 Streaming Life: Journ, News, & Eng Stream Tech

Journalism Emphasis

Practical: CHOOSE ONE COURSE
3610 Internship - by application only (1-6)
Advanced: REQUIRED TWO COURSES
5300 Mass Comm Law [preq: 1500 or 2580]
must be declared and at Senior level (4)
5660 Media Ethics [preq: COMM 3555 and 1500 or
3505 or 2580 or 4580] (3)
Capstone: CHOOSE ONE COURSE
5775 Voices of Utah [coreq: 3555] (4)
5850 Advanced Special Topics in Journalism
[coreq 3555] (3)
Electives: COMPLETE TWO COMM ELECTIVES
• One COMM elective can be any level
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IMPORTANT: Not all courses are offered every semester. Students must be proactive in meeting with an advisor and check the current class schedules to know if/when courses will be offered.