

COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY (BA)

Program Requirements	Quarter Hours
College Core Requirements	16
Liberal Studies Requirements	84
Major Requirements	40
Open Electives	52
Total hours required	192

Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

- Apply knowledge of the history of science and technology to their personal and professional communication practices.
- Analyze the impact of communication technology on designated features of society (for example law, government, politics, economics).
- Compare and contrast different ethical approaches to communication technology.
- Generate socially responsible media content in a variety of contexts.
- Analyze the interplay between technology, communication, and social networks.

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All majors in the College of Communication consist of a four-course common core plus an additional combination of program requirements and electives.

College Core Requirements

Four core courses are required of all College of Communication students:

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
CMN 101	INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN COMMUNICATION	4
CMN 102	INTRODUCTION TO MASS COMMUNICATION	4
CMN 103	INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE	4
CMN 104	PUBLIC SPEAKING	4

Students are encouraged to complete all four prior to taking additional coursework in the major.

Modern Language Requirement

Students who intend to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Communication will be required to demonstrate a measure of competence in a modern language, as defined by the college. Such competence may be demonstrated in one of several ways:

- completing the last course in a second year high school course work in a modern language or Latin
- completing the last course in the first-year college sequence of any language
- completing a college course beyond the first-year level in any language
- achieving a satisfactory score on any of the Modern Language placement examinations administered at DePaul
- achieving a satisfactory rating in a proficiency examination accepted by DePaul
- achieving a score of 3 or higher on the Advance Placement (AP) test for any language (must be completed during high school)
- achieving a score of 5 or higher in the Language B assessment from a Standard or Higher Level International Baccalaureate (IB) program
- achieving a satisfactory score on the CLEP examination.

Modern Languages courses with an E-designation are taught in English and may not be applied to the Modern Language Requirement. Students with some modern language training should consult with the Modern Language Department about the course with which they should begin. Students with little or no previous work in the language will be required to complete the entire three-course introductory sequence.

Language For Liberal Studies Option (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-program-guidelines/language-for-liberal-studies-option/>)

The Language for Liberal Studies Option is available to all BA students who wish to study a modern language beyond the level necessary to meet the College's modern language requirement. Students selecting the option may substitute a three-course language sequence for three learning domain courses, or two upper-level courses in the same language for two learning domain requirements. Language for Liberal Studies waivers cannot be applied to courses in the Math and Computing Domain or courses in the Scientific Inquiry domain. Modern Language courses with an E-designation are taught in English and may not be applied to the Language for Liberal Studies Option.

Any substitutions must be consistent with the principle that students complete at least one course in each learning domain.

Liberal Studies Requirements

Honors program requirements can be found in the individual Colleges & Schools section of the University Catalog. Select the appropriate college or school, followed by Undergraduate Academics and scroll down.

First Year Program		Hours
Chicago Quarter		
LSP 110 or LSP 111	DISCOVER CHICAGO or EXPLORE CHICAGO	4
Focal Point		
LSP 112	FOCAL POINT SEMINAR	4
Writing		

WRD 103	COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC I ¹	4
WRD 104	COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC II ¹	4
Quantitative Reasoning		
MAT 120	QUANTITATIVE REASONING ²	4
Sophomore Year		
Multiculturalism in the US		
LSP 200	SEMINAR ON RACE, POWER, AND RESISTANCE	4
Junior Year		
Experiential Learning		
Required		4
Senior Year		
Capstone		
CMN 396	CAPSTONE IN COMMUNICATION ¹	4

¹ Students must earn a C- or better in this course.

² Readiness for MAT 120 is determined by the math placement test taken online after admission. Students may need to take developmental coursework prior to MAT 120. Students who complete MAT 120 and both a Computational Reasoning course and a Statistical Reasoning course in the Math and Computing Learning Domain take one less Learning Domain course. Students may not apply the course reduction to any Domain where only one course is required, and cannot be applied to the Scientific Inquiry Learning Domain. The MAT 120 requirement may be waived by passing a dedicated proficiency exam or it may be fulfilled by credit for advanced math coursework earned in-residence at DePaul (MAT 135, MAT 136, MAT 147, MAT 148, MAT 149, MAT 150, MAT 151, MAT 152, MAT 155, MAT 156, or equivalent) or earned externally either as transfer credit from another college/university or as test credit through AP, CLEP, IB, or International A and A/S Level exams. Calculus course(s) may be used to fulfill any of the three QR/MCD requirements.

Learning Domains

Arts and Literature (AL) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-learning-domains/arts-and-literature/>)

- 2 Courses Required

Historical Inquiry (HI) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-learning-domains/historical-inquiry/>)

- 2 Courses Required

Math and Computing (MC) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-learning-domains/math-and-computing/>)

- 2 Courses Required
[1 CR Course and 1 SR Course]

Philosophical Inquiry (PI) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-learning-domains/philosophical-inquiry/>)

- 2 Courses Required

Religious Dimensions (RD) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-learning-domains/religious-dimensions/>)

- 2 Courses Required

Scientific Inquiry (SI) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-learning-domains/scientific-inquiry/>)

- 2 Courses Required
[1 Lab Course and 1 SWK Course]

Social, Cultural, and Behavioral Inquiry (SCBI) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/undergraduate-core/liberal-studies-program/liberal-studies-learning-domains/social-cultural-and-behavioral-inquiry/>)

- 2 Courses Required

Note

Courses offered in the student's primary major cannot be taken to fulfill LSP Domain requirements. If students double major, LSP Domain courses may double count for both LSP credit and the second major. Students who choose to take an experiential learning course offered by the major may count it either as a major requirement or the Experiential Learning requirement.

In meeting learning domain requirements, no more than one course that is outside the student's major and is cross-listed with a course within the student's major, can be applied to count for LSP domain credit. This policy does not apply to those who are pursuing a double major or earning BFA or BM degrees.

Major Requirements

Four Required Courses (16 hours)

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
CMNS 280	INTRODUCTION TO DIGITAL MEDIA SKILLS	4
CMNS 349	DIGITAL MEDIA LAW AND ETHICS	4
CMNS 366	COMMUNICATION, TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY	4
or MPOP 366	COMMUNICATION, TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY	
WRD 201	DIGITAL WRITING	4

Six Additional Courses (24 hours)

A minimum of three of these additional classes (12 hours) but no more than five classes (20 hours) must be from the Professional Skills category. A minimum of one class (4 hours) but no more than three classes (12 hours) must be from a focus area in either the Social Media, Cultural Impact of Technology, or Communication, Technology, and Ethics categories. No more than four of these courses (16 hours) can be taken outside of the College of Communication.

Professional Skills (at least 12 hours but no more than 20 hours)

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
CMN 150	SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY (2.0 quarter hours) ²	
CMN 292	ADOBE CREATIVE CLOUD WORKSHOP (2.0 quarter hours) ²	
CMN 295	ADOBE INDESIGN (2.0 quarter hours) ²	
CMN 296	ADOBE AUDITION (2.0 quarter hours) ²	
CMN 297	ADOBE PREMIERE VIDEO EDITING (2.0 quarter hours) ²	
CMN 397	RESEARCH PRACTICUM ¹	
CMNS 346	SOCIAL MEDIA RESEARCH METHODS	

CMNS 362	SOUND AND VISION or JOUR 316 SOUND AND VISION or MPOP 316 SOUND AND VISION
JOUR 276	PHOTOJOURNALISM
JOUR 355	NEWSCAST PRODUCING
JOUR 370	ADVANCED MULTIMEDIA REPORTING
JOUR 376	TOPICS IN JOURNALISM
JOUR 377	SPECIAL TOPICS IN JOURNALISM (Data Journalism or Journalism by Numbers)
JOUR 382	ADVANCED PHOTOJOURNALISM
MPOP 389	TOPICS IN MEDIA PRODUCTION
PRAD 352	DIGITAL ADVERTISING
PRAD 393	SPECIAL TOPICS IN PUBLIC RELATIONS AND ADVERTISING (Department approval required contingent on topic)
DOC 324	DOCUMENTARY PRODUCTION II
FILM 101	FOUNDATIONS OF CINEMA FOR MAJORS
FILM 102	FOUNDATIONS OF CINEMA FOR NON-MAJORS
FILM 110	CINEMA PRODUCTION I FOR MAJORS
GD 200	GRAPHIC DESIGN: FORM
IT 231	WEB DEVELOPMENT I
IT 232	WEB DEVELOPMENT II
POST 110	EDITING I
POST 124	SOUND DESIGN I
UXD 210	INTRODUCTION TO USER EXPERIENCE DESIGN
UXD 220	PROTOTYPING METHODS I
WRD 204	TECHNICAL WRITING
WRD 286	WRITING WITH PHOTOGRAPHS
WRD 290	WRITER'S TOOLS WORKSHOP (Department approval required contingent on topic)
WRD 322	WRITING AND METADATA
WRD 372	DIGITAL STORYTELLING

CMNS 308	TOPICS IN INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION
CMNS 342	LIVING ONLINE
CMNS 350	TOPICS IN COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY
MPOP 231	INTRODUCTION TO DOCUMENTARY STUDIES
MPOP 349	TOPICS IN FILM STUDIES
MPOP 352	TOPICS IN NEW MEDIA
WRD 205	HISTORY OF LITERACIES AND WRITING
WRD 261	DIGITAL CULTURE
WRD 362	SEMIOTICS
WRD 363	VISUAL RHETORIC

Communication, Technology, and Ethics

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
CMN 399	INDEPENDENT STUDY ¹	
CMNS 345	THE DARK WEB	
JOUR 361	JOURNALISM LAW AND ETHICS	
MPOP 343	MEDIA ETHICS	
PRAD 334	ADVERTISING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS ETHICS	
WRD 282	ETHICS OF PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING	

¹ Students may take up to 4 hours of credit in this course toward graduation requirements.

² A maximum of 8 credits from two credit College of Communication courses may be applied to major requirements.

Focus Area (at least 4 hours but no more than 12 hours)

Social Media

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
CMN 399	INDEPENDENT STUDY ¹	
CMNS 311	TOPICS IN RELATIONAL COMMUNICATION	
CMNS 341	COMMUNICATION NETWORKS IN A DIGITAL AGE	
JOUR 342	SOCIAL MEDIA & THE NEWS	
CSC 270	FROM FIREFLIES TO FACEBOOK: THE SCIENCE OF NETWORKS	
GAM 208	VIRTUAL WORLDS AND ONLINE COMMUNITIES	

Cultural Impact of Technology

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
CMN 399	INDEPENDENT STUDY ¹	
CMNS 307	TOPICS IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES	