

COMMUNICATION MAJOR (BA)

Department website (<https://www.uwp.edu/learn/programs/communication.cfm>)

College: College of Arts & Humanities

Requirements for the Communication Major

Students admitted to the major should plan to complete the 100- and 200-level requirements in communication (including required course work in other departments) before taking upper-level courses. These courses have been planned and sequenced so as to provide a broad overview of the field, introduce essential skills, and help students plan their futures both within the program and following college graduation. At least 15 credits of upper-level courses in the major must be completed at UW-Parkside. Non-majors interested in taking upper-level communication courses should consult with the course instructor before registering.

Communication majors and minors are expected to meet with their advisors to discuss recommended sequences of elective courses for specific career or graduate school paths. The department maintains extensive advising materials to help students plan for and navigate the wide range of careers that are available.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Core Courses		
SPCH 105 or COMM 205	Public Speaking Oral Interpretation	3
COMM 107	Communication and the Human Condition (must earn a grade of C or better for credit toward the major)	3
COMM 108	Media and Society (must earn a grade of C or better for credit toward the major)	3
COMM 207	Introduction to the Communication Discipline (Part 1)	3
COMM 208	Introduction to the Communication Discipline (Part 2)	3
COMM 295	Sophomore Seminar	3
ENGL 201 or COMM 255	Advanced Composition Writing for Multimedia	3
Required Core Courses Subtotal		21
Communication Elective Courses		
Select three credits of any level COMM course		3
Select nine credits of 300-level COMM courses		9
Select a three credit 400-level COMM course		3
Communication Elective Courses Subtotal		15
General Elective Courses Outside Communication Department at the 300- or 400-level		
Select six credits of general elective courses outside communication department at the 300- or 400-level in consultation with advisor		6
General Elective Courses Outside Communication Department at the 300- or 400-level Subtotal		6
Required Capstone Course		
COMM 495	Senior Seminar	3

Required Capstone Course Subtotal	3
Total Credits	45

General University Degree Requirements (Bachelor's Degree)

In addition to individual program requirements, students must also fulfill the following requirements:

Requirement	Credits
Skills	7-8
General Education	36
Foreign Language**	6-8
Ethnic Diversity	3
Total	52-55

** Transfer students in sustainable management, and health information management and technology collaborative, online degree-completion programs, the business management online degree-completion program, and the flexible option degree-completion program will be exempt from the university's foreign language requirement. See appropriate academic section for further information.

Skills Requirement (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#skills>)

Code	Title	Credits
Reading and Writing		
ENGL 101	Composition and Reading	3
Computational Skills		
Select one of the following:		4-5
MATH 102	Survey of Mathematics	
MATH 103	Elementary Statistics	
MATH 104	Quantitative Reasoning	
MATH 111	College Algebra I	
Total Credits		7-8

General Education (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#general>)

- General Education Course List (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/programs/general-education-program/#coursestext>)

Foreign Language (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#language>)

Ethnic Diversity (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#ethnic>)

Degree Requirements

Requirement	Credits
Minimum Total Credits	120
Upper Level Credits (300 level or above)	36
Residency	30 of final 60

Cumulative Degree GPA: 2.0 minimum