



FRESHMAN

SOPHOMORE

JUNIOR

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TAKE THE RIGHT CLASSES

If you haven't declared a communication major, meet with an Advisor from Academic Success Advising Center to discuss core class requirements. Consider taking "Fundamentals of Communication" and "Media Studies" to explore this option before declaring.

Now's the time to decide! Visit the Communication Website, talk to advisors and professors in the communication department to learn more about various Pathways within the major (please see Communication pathways on back). If you are ready to declare, visit the CLAS advising office.

Consider the Scholars track to prepare you for graduate work.

Complete the writing practicum to apply for Magna Cum Laude honors and Summa Cum Laude honors.

GET GOOD ADVICE

Meet with a counselor at the Career Center to learn about career opportunities for Communication majors; meet with ELC to explore potential internships. Meet with ASAC (if you're undecided) or CLAS advisor to discuss classes.

Remember: don't just fill up on general education requirements. Meet with your academic advisor in CLAS to make sure you're meeting core requirements and your Communication advisor for major requirements and pathways. If you also have a minor, see the faculty advisor in that department too.

Did you know that you need 120 credits to graduate and 45 of those must be upper division? Check with your CLAS and department advisors to make sure you're meeting this requirement.

Check in with your department advisor **BEFORE THE CENSUS DATE (check the university calendar)**. Review your graduation audit with your academic advisor and apply for graduation.

APPLY WHAT YOU LEARN

Visit the Career Center and Experiential Learning Center to participate in job shadowing and informational interviewing programs and meet employers.

Now's the time to start looking for an internship. Visit the ELC and sign up for an orientation. Visit Student Life to discuss volunteering/community engagement opportunities.

Consider the Puksta Scholars track: two internships combined with a focus on Social Justice. Engage in undergraduate research and present your findings at RaCAS.

Talk to faculty about presenting at conferences and the Communication research track. Join Lambda Pi Eta honor society. Get published in a peer-reviewed journal.

THINK GLOBALLY

Have you heard about our sister campus in Beijing that offers a degree in Communication?

Visit the Study Abroad office to explore opportunities to go abroad. Take at least one service learning/project-based course.

Consider completing a Travel Study Program (study in China, Guatemala, Italy or Spain), or doing Alternative Spring Break. Visit Student Life for details.

Can't go global? Think glocally! Volunteer for local global organizations that serve international populations. Check out the office of Student Life to get connected.

CONNECT WITH PEERS

- Participate in a First Year Seminar
- Get involved with a student organization through Student Life.

- Educational Opportunity Programs

- Club Sports

- Are you a veteran? Get connected with Veteran Student Services.

Connect through all four years! Find out about student organizations to join at Fall Fest and Spring Fling.

PREPARE FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

Volunteer or work in a field of career interest. Visit Student Life, the Experiential Learning Center and the Career Center to explore options.

Visit with an Internship Advisor to discuss internship opportunities in your field. Visit the Career Center and Experiential Learning Center for resume and application assistance.

Discuss careers and/or graduate schools with a faculty advisor in Communication and the Career Center. Work on putting all of your academic experience, internships, volunteer work and international experience on a resume. Attend the Internship and Job Fair.

If applying to graduate school, take appropriate examination, visit the Career Center for assistance with applications. Visit the Writing Center for help writing essays. If applying for jobs, visit the career center to develop a networking plan. Attend the Internship and Job Fair.

COMMUNICATION MAJOR CHECK-LIST

	Done	To Do	Grade
Four Required Entrance Courses 1001, Presentational Speaking* OR 2050, Business and Professional Speaking* 1011, Fundamentals of Communication* 1021, Introduction to Media Studies* 2020, Communication and Citizenship*			
Eight Courses from our Pathways			
One Required Exit Class 3939, Internships* 4040, Communication, Prisons, and Social Justice 4082, Wilderness Communication (Maymester only) 4500, Health Communication* 4550, Rhetoric of Medicine and Health 4051, Advanced Strategic Communication 4700, Writing Practicum 4995, Travel Study (options include China, Guatemala, Italy in Maymester, and Spain in Winterim)			

PATHWAYS **Online Section

	Grade
Community Service & Public Affairs 3271, Communication and Diversity* 4040, Communication, Prisons, and Social Justice 4260, Communication and Conflict 4262, Mediation 4265, Gender and Communication 4270, Intercultural Communication** 4282, Environmental Communication 4720, Global Communication <small>*See the classes available from other departments under the Social Justice Minor</small>	
Strategic Communication 2045, Workplace Communication* 2051, Strategic Communication* 2071, Media Writing Skills 3071, Advanced Media Writing Skills 3271, Communication and Diversity* 3650, Media and Society** 4051, Advanced Strategic Communication** 4240, Organizational Communication 4255, Negotiation and Bargaining 4260, Communication and Conflict 4262, Mediation 4300, Multimedia Authoring 4665, Principles of Advertising**	

PATHWAYS (CONTINUED)

	Grade
Media Studies 1071, Intro to Journalism 2071, Media Writing Skills 3071, Advanced Media Writing Skills 3650, Media and Society** 4300, Multimedia Authoring 4621, Visual Communication 4680, Mass Media Law and Policy 4760, New Media	
Critical Toolbox Courses 1041, Interpersonal Communication* 4020, Feminist Perspectives on Comm. 4021, Perspectives on Rhetoric 4022, Critical Analysis of Comm. 4031, Perspectives on Communication 4221, Qualitative Research Methods 4265, Gender and Communication 4700, Writing Practicum	
Health Communication 3275, Family Communication 4240, Organizational Communication 4500, Health Communication* 4550, Rhetoric of Medicine and Health 4620, Health Risk Communication 4710, Communication and Sexuality* <small>*See the classes available from other departments under the Health Humanities Minor</small>	
Political Communication & Government 2082, Intro to Environmental Communication** 4040, Communication, Prisons, and Social Justice 4255, Negotiations and Bargaining 4270, Intercultural Communication** 4282, Environmental Communication 4601, Communication and Food 4680, Mass Media Law and Policy 4720, Global Communication <small>*See the classes available from other departments under the Environmental Sustainability Minor</small>	
Legal Communication 4000, Communication and Sports 4040, Comm., Prison, and Social Justice 4680, Mass Media Law and Policy 4681, Comm. Issues in Court Practices 4683, Media in the Courtroom 4750, Legal Reasoning and Writing <small>*See the classes available from other departments under the Law Studies Minor</small>	

- 13 classes (39 credits) required; no more than 56 credits accepted toward graduation
- Students may transfer in 7 or fewer classes
- Honors = 3.0 overall and 3.5 GPA within the major
- For advising in Communication, please contact Dr. EJ Yoder (ej.yoder@ucdenver.edu) or Dr. Yvette Bueno-Olson (Yvette.buenoolson@ucdenver.edu)

