



Communication A.A.

Career Community: Communication, Journalism, and Language

Curriculum Code: 0136

Effective: Fall 2022 – Summer 2027

Purpose of Major

This degree is designed for students who plan to transfer to a four-year university to pursue a baccalaureate degree in Communications with a variety of concentrations, including a major in Communications Disorders, as a junior. Students may also pursue Secondary Education Certification in Communications/Theater Arts in order to teach in Michigan public schools. Students completing this curriculum will satisfy the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) requirements for General Education between two and four-year institutions in Michigan and will qualify for the Transfer Studies Certificate of Achievement (1482).

Not all courses in this pathway transfer to all colleges. Students who wish to transfer to a four-year institution should select coursework indicated for that institution and may also complete coursework for a Communications Arts, Enhanced AA degree. The Communication Arts, Enhanced AA option allows students to transfer additional credits toward the Bachelor's degree.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of COMM 120 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Additional Information

A student must earn a minimum grade of 2.0 in all courses.

Contact Information

Contact the Communication, Media and the Arts Department, Gannon Building, Room 1222, telephone number 517-483-1546 or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building - StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

General Education - Transfer Degrees (MTA), Recommended Courses

(For the full list of options, see [General Education](#))

- English Composition – *Select one*
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131 will meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course) or Communications Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement

- Humanities and Fine Arts – *Select two*
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement
- Mathematics – *Select one*
MATH 119, MATH 120, or STAT 170 will meet this requirement
- Natural Sciences – *Select two, each from a different discipline, one must be a lab course*
Career Community and Program of Study Required Courses – Natural Sciences will meet this requirement.
- Social Sciences – *Select one from a different discipline other than COMM*
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement

Communications and Language Career Community Courses – *These courses are required for all Communications and Language programs (Communication, Sign Language Interpreter, and World Language). They should be taken before other Program Required or Limited Choice Courses. Some courses meet General Education requirements for MTA. A minimum of 2.0 is required to meet LCC degree requirements for General Education courses and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course).*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First Year College Experience	1 / 1
ASTR 201 or BIOL 120 or BIOL 125 or BIOL 145 or CHEM 135 or GEOG 200 or GEOG 221 or ISCI 131 or PHYS 120	Introductory Astronomy Environmental Science Introductory Biology Intro Anatomy and Physiology Chemistry in Society World Regional Geography Physical Geography Integrated Physical Science The Art of Physics	4 / 5 4 / 6 4 / 5 4 / 6 4 / 5 4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 6 4 / 5
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132 or SIGN 160	Dynamics of Communication Fundamentals Public Speaking Composition II Honors Composition II Intro to the Deaf Community	3 / 3 3 / 3 4 / 4 4 / 4 3 / 3
DMAC 260 or ENGL 200 or JAPN 121 or SIGN 162 or SPAN 121 or THEA 110	World Cinema Introduction to Literature Elementary Japanese I American Sign Language II Elementary Spanish I Introduction to Theater	4 / 4 3 / 3 4 / 4 3 / 3 4 / 4 3 / 3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131	Composition I Honors Composition I	4 / 4 4 / 4
LING 230 or SIGN 161	Introduction to Linguistics American Sign Language I	3 / 3 3 / 3
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170	Math – Applications for Living College Algebra Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4

Program of Study Required Courses – *COMM 120 will also meet the General Education English Composition (second course) requirement. DMAC 260 or THEA 110 and LING 230 will also meet the General Education Humanities and Fine Arts requirements.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
COMM 120	Dynamics of Communication	3 / 3
COMM 130	Fundamentals Public Speaking	3 / 3
COMM 200	Small Group Communication	3 / 3
COMM 240	Interpersonal Communication	3 / 3
COMM 280	Intercultural Communication	3 / 3
DMAC 260 or THEA 110	World Cinema Introduction to Theater	4 / 4 3 / 3
LING 230	Introduction to Linguistics	3 / 3

Note:

Students considering adding secondary certification in Communication and Theater Arts Secondary Education, choose THEA 110.

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice – Natural Sciences - *Select one, as indicated for each transfer institution and major. This course must be from a difference discipline than what was selected for the Career Community Science course. Students considering moving into a Communications Disorders major are strongly encouraged to select the Science courses designated for that major.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
CHEM 135	Chemistry and Society	4 / 5
ISCI 131	Integrated Physical Science	4 / 5
PFHW 123	Human Nutrition	3 / 3
PHYS 120	The Art of Physics	4 / 5

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Communication) choose PFHW 123.
- Central Michigan University (Communication Disorders) choose CHEM 135 or PHYS 120.
- Eastern Michigan University (Communication) choose PFHW 123.
- Eastern Michigan University (Communication Disorders) choose CHEM 135 or PHYS 120.

- Eastern Michigan University (Communication and Theater Arts Secondary Education) choose PFHW 123.
- Ferris State University (Communication or Sports Communication) choose PFHW 123.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Studies) choose PFHW 123.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Disorders) choose PHYS 120.
- Western Michigan University (Communication) choose PFHW 123.
- Western Michigan University (Speech, Language, and Hearing Disorders) choose CHEM 135 or PHYS 120.

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice – Social Sciences - *Select one from a discipline other than COMM. See the notes below for each transfer institution and major. If specific courses are not indicated, select any recommended courses. Students considering the possibility of adding Secondary K-12 Certification at some point in the future are strongly encouraged to select the courses indicated for each transfer institution. These selections will satisfy requirements for admission to the Teacher Education program, required for certification, as well as satisfying Social Science General Education requirements and will prevent possible delay in degree completion. Courses meet General Education requirements for Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). A minimum of 2.0 is required to meet LCC degree requirements for General Education courses and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course.)*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ANTH 120	Introduction to Anthropology	3 / 3
ANTH 270	Cultural Anthropology	3 / 3
EDUC 204	Educational Psychology	3 / 3
EDUC 220	Intro to Education	3 / 3
EDUC 230	Intro to Special Education	3 / 3
POLS 201	Introduction to Political Science	3 / 3
POLS 240	Introduction to Public Policy	3 / 3
PSYC 200	Introductory Psychology	4 / 4

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Communication) choose ANTH 270.
- Central Michigan University (BAA in Communication Disorders) choose PSYC 200.
- Eastern Michigan University (Communication) choose ANTH 270.
- Eastern Michigan University (BS in Communication Disorders) choose PSYC 200.
- Eastern Michigan University (Secondary Certification in Communication/Theater Arts) choose EDUC 220.
- Ferris State University (Communication or Sport Communication) choose ANTH 270.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Studies) choose ANTH 270.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. In Communication Disorders) choose PSYC 200.

- Michigan State University (Communication) choose PSYC 200.
- Western Michigan University (Communication or Speech, Language, and Hearing Disorders) choose PSYC 200.

Program of Study Limited Choice Courses – *Select a minimum of 6 credits to reach the 60 credits required for the degree. See the notes below for the courses indicated for each transfer institution. A minimum of 2.0 is required to meet degree requirements for General Education and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course.)*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ANTH 270	Cultural Anthropology	3 / 3
ANTH 271	Medical Anthropology	3 / 3
CHSE 120	Medical Terminology	4 / 4
COMM 110	Communication in the Workplace	3 / 3
COMM 260	Nonverbal Communication	3 / 3
COMM 270	Mass Communication	3 / 3
DMAC 120	Digital Audio Production I	4 / 4
DMAC 141	Ethics and Impact of the Media	3 / 3
EDUC 230	Introduction to Special Education	3 / 3
ENGL 124	Technical Writing	3 / 3
ENGL 127	Business Writing	3 / 3
ENGL 122 or ENGL 132	Composition II Honors Composition II	4 / 4 4 / 4
ENGL 200	Introduction to Literature	3 / 3
ENGL 245	Popular Culture and Mass Media	4 / 4
FREN 121 or GRMN 121 or JAPN 121 or SPAN 121	Elementary French I Elementary German I Elementary Japanese I Elementary Spanish I	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4
FREN 122 or GRMN 122 or JAPN 122 or SPAN 122	Elementary French II Elementary German II Elementary Japanese II Elementary Spanish II	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4
JRNL 151	Newswriting and Reporting	3 / 3
JRNL 254	Opinion Writing	3 / 3
MGMT 223	Supervisory Skills	3 / 3
MGMT 224	Human Resource Management	3 / 3
MGMT 329	Advanced Management Communication	3 / 3
PHIL 101	Introduction to Philosophy	3 / 3
PHIL 151	Intro to Logic and Critical Thinking	4 / 4
PHIL 152	Introduction to Ethics	4 / 4

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
PHOT 111	Digital Photography I	3 / 3
PHOT 117	Digital Photography II	4 / 4
PSYC 202	Psychology of Personality	3 / 3
PSYC 203	Social Psychology	3 / 3
PSYC 205	Human Growth and Development	3 / 3
RELG 150	Intro to World Religions	3 / 3
SIGN 160	Intro to the Deaf Community	3 / 3
SIGN 161	American Sign Language I	3 / 3
SIGN 162	American Sign Language II	3 / 3
SIGN 163	American Sign Language III	3 / 3
STAT 170	Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4
THEA 220	Play Directing	3 / 4

Notes:

Students wishing to transfer to MSU should take COMM 120. Students wishing to transfer to FSU, UM-Flint, WMU or EMU should take COMM 110. Students wishing to transfer to CMU or GVSU may take COMM 110 or COMM 120 (required course).

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (BA in Communications) choose COMM 110, COMM 260, COMM 270, ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and 6 credits from any Limited Choice.
- Central Michigan University (BAA in Communication Disorders with American Sign Language Minor) choose COMM 260, ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and 2 from ENGL 200 or PHIL 101 or RELG 150, SIGN 163, and STAT 170.
- Eastern Michigan University choose (BA in Communications) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, DMAC 120, JRNL 151 and JRNL 254.
- Eastern Michigan University (BS in Communication Disorders with Communication Minor) choose CHSE 120, COMM 260, EDUC 230, PHIL 151, and STAT 170.
- Eastern Michigan University (Secondary Certification in Communication/Theater Arts) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, EDUC 230, ENGL 200, PSYC 205, and THEA 220.
- Ferris State University (Communication) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, DMAC 120, DMAC 141, ENGL 122 or ENGL 124 or ENGL 127 or ENGL 132, and ENGL 245.
- Ferris State University (Sports Communication) choose COMM 270, ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, ENGL 245, MGMT 223, MGMT 224, and MGMT 329.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Studies) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, DMAC 141, ENGL 245, PHOT 111, and PHOT 117.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Disorders) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, EDUC 230, PHIL 152, and 6 credits from any Limited Choice.
- Michigan State University (Communication – variety of concentrations) choose ANTH 270, ANTH 271, COMM 270, PSYC 202, PSYC 203, and 3 from any Limited Choice.

- University of Michigan Flint (Communication) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, DMAC 120, ENGL 122 and, FREN 121 and FREN 122 or GRMN 121 and GRMN 122 or JAPN 121 and JAPN 122 or SIGN 161 and SIGN 162 or SPAN 121 and SPAN 122.
- Western Michigan University (Communication) choose COMM 110, COMM 260, COMM 270, DMAC 120, and DMAC 141.
- Western Michigan University (Speech, Language, and Hearing Disorders) choose COMM 110, COMM 260, COMM 270, SIGN 160, SIGN 161, and SIGN 162.

Minimum Total Credit Hours

60 credits / 61-63 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I
ACAD 100
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
Program of Study Required Course – Natural Science (CHEM 135 or ISCI 131 or PFHW 123 or PHYS 120) or other Career Community Science Course
COMM 120 – Milestone
COMM 130

Semester II
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170
Program of Study Required Course – Social Science (ANTH 120 or ANTH 270 or EDUC 204 or EDUC 220 or EDUC 230 or POLS 201 or POLS 240 or PSYC 200)
COMM 240
COMM 280
Limited Choice

Semester III
Program of Study Required Course – Natural Science (CHEM 135 or ISCI 131 or PFHW 123 or PHYS 120) or other Career Community Science Course
COMM 200
DMAC 260 or THEA 110
LING 230

Semester IV
Limited Choice

LCC makes every effort to limit revisions to the pathways during their effective timeframe. However, the College reserves the right to update certificate and degree title changes, and make course changes as needed, without prior notice.