

Student Name:

DATE:

Degree Planning Worksheet

BA IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES

This worksheet is designed to help you plan and track your progress toward your degree. It lists all of the graduation requirements in the recommended sequence. For full course descriptions, please refer to the current undergraduate *Catalog*.

SEQUENCE	COURSE TAKEN OR TRANSFERRED	SEMESTER TAKEN OR CREDIT REMAINING
<i>Courses are listed in the order in which students should take them. Changes in courses and order may affect other elements of the degree plan.</i>		

Recommendations will differ for specific majors. Refer to catalog for alternatives to recommended general education requirements (GenEds). Courses used for GenEds may not be used in the major or minor.

FIRST COURSES (10 credits) Take within first 24 credits. Take placement exam before registering for math courses.

LIBS 150 (1)		
WRTG 111 (3) <i>Or other writing course. Students should take WRTG 111 before WRTG 112. If a student has transferred in a writing course, but hasn't yet taken WRTG 112, the student may enroll in WRTG 112 without taking WRTG 111. If a student has already completed WRTG 112, the student should take an additional 3-credit writing course (COMM 390, COMM 494, ENGL 102, JOUR 201 and all WRTG courses except 288, 388, 486A, 486B apply)</i>		
WRTG 112 (3) <i>Required GenEd course. Must be completed with a grade of C- or better. Students should take WRTG 111 before WRTG 112. If a student has transferred in a writing course, but hasn't yet taken WRTG 112, the student may enroll in WRTG 112 without taking WRTG 111.</i>		
MATH 106 (3) <i>or other approved math GenEd course (MATH 106, MATH 107, STAT 200, or more advanced MATH or STAT)</i>		

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES (31 credits)

IFSM 201 or CMST 301 (3) <i>First computing GenEd course</i>		
CMIS 111 (3) <i>Or other second computing GenEd course</i>		
HIST 125 (3) <i>Or other arts/humanities GenEd course</i>		
HUMN 100 (3) <i>Or other arts/humanities course</i>		
NSCI 100 (3) <i>Or other 3-credit biological/physical science GenEd course</i>		
BIOL 103 (4) <i>Or other biological/physical science GenEd course with related lab</i>		
ECON 103 (3) <i>Or other behavioral/social science GenEd course</i>		
BEHS 103 (3) <i>Or other behavioral/social science GenEd course</i>		
COMM 202 (3) <i>Or other communication, writing, or speech GenEd course</i>		
WRTG 393 or WRTG 394 (3) <i>Or other upper-level advanced writing GenEd course</i>		

CHECKLIST FOR FULFILLMENT OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS See catalog for overview of all requirements.

<input type="checkbox"/> 30 credits at UMUC, including at least half of the major and minor and 15 upper level credits. <input type="checkbox"/> 45 upper-level credits, including half the credit for the major and for the minor. <input type="checkbox"/> All required courses <u>and</u> minimum number of credits for major and minor. <input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisites for major and minor courses, if needed.	<input type="checkbox"/> All General Education Requirements. <input type="checkbox"/> Grade of C- or better in WRTG 112 <input type="checkbox"/> Grade of C or better in all courses for the major and minor. <input type="checkbox"/> Overall GPA of at least 2.0. <input type="checkbox"/> At least half the credit for the major earned through graded coursework. <input type="checkbox"/> Total 120 credits.
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SEQUENCE <i>33 total credits for major, of which at least half must be upper-level and at least half taken through UMUC.</i>	COURSE TAKEN	SEMESTER TAKEN OR CREDIT REMAINING
MAJOR COURSES (30 credits)		
◆ SPCH 100 Foundations of Oral Communication (3) <i>or any SPCH course</i>		
◆ COMM 207 Understanding Visual Communication (3) <i>or any COMM course</i>		
◆ JOUR 201 Introduction to News Writing (3)		
◆ COMM 300 Communication Theory (3)		
◆ COMM 302 Mass Communication & Media Studies (3)		
◆ SPCH 324 Communication & Gender (3)		
◆ JOUR 330 Public Relations Theory (3) <i>or any 300- or 400- level JOUR course</i>		
◆ COMM 400 Mass Media Law (3) <i>or any 300- or 400- level COMM course</i>		
◆ SPCH 470 Effective Listening (3) <i>or any 300- or 400- level SPCH course</i>		
◆ COMM 390 Writing for Managers (3) <i>or any 300- or 400- level COMM course</i>		
CAPSTONE COURSE FOR MAJOR (3 credits) <i>To be taken in last 15 credits</i>		
◆ COMM 495 Senior Seminar in Communication Studies (3)		
MINOR OR ELECTIVES (15 credits, at least 9 credits upper level for minor) Complete in last 60 credits along with major courses.		
See requirements of individual minor.		
ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES (31 credits)		
Choose any courses to meet 120 credits for degree. Note minimum requirements for upper-level coursework. Complete in last 60 credits along with major and minor courses.		
TOTAL: 120 CREDITS		