

***** APPLICABLE TO STUDENTS ADMITTED TO CCSU ON OR AFTER FALL 2008 *****

MEDIA PRODUCTION AND PERFORMANCE

This emphasis area is designed for students wishing to emphasize all aspects of the production of stories, including study in theoretical, critical, and aesthetic foundations as well as instruction in technical approaches and innovations in media production.

Continuation Policy

The Department of Communication maintains a policy for continuation in the major. Communication majors must complete Comm. 240 (with a C- or better) and Comm. 140 before they reach 60 credits. Majors must maintain an overall GPA of 2.0 or better to stay in the major.

Key Requirements

A total of 39 credits must be completed. These are divided across three areas: a communication core, required emphasis courses and departmental or suggested outside electives. All students must take a total of 21 credits from 300/400-level courses, with a minimum of 9 credits from 400-level courses.

Communication Core (12 credits)

- Comm. 140 Public Speaking (to be taken before first semester of junior year)
- Comm. 230 Introduction to Mass Media
- Comm. 240 Survey of the Field of Communication (to be taken before first semester of junior year)
- Comm. 301 Critical Thinking **OR** Comm. 302 Problem-Solving and Decision Making

Required Emphasis Courses (9 credits)

- Comm. 330 Digital Film and Television Production I
- Comm. 336 Media Literacy **OR** Comm. 338 Analysis of News
- Comm. 405 Principles and Processes of Mass Communication

Directed Electives (18 credits) Note: At least 9 credits must be 400 level (which includes Comm 405) and at least 6 credits must be from Communication department courses listed below.

Offered by the Department

- Comm. 231 Communication Technologies
- Comm. 329 Screenwriting
- Comm. 335 Communication Management
- Comm. 345 Writing for the Electronic Media
- Comm. 420 Principles of Digital Photography for Convergent Media
- Comm. 427 Digital Film and Television Production II
- Comm. 428 Digital Film and Television Production III
- Comm. 436 Streaming Media in Web Publishing
- Comm. 480 Television Documentary Production
- Comm. 490 Internship (no more than 6 credits)
- Comm. 491 Independent Study (no more than 6 credits)
- Comm. 485 **or** 495 **Selected** Special Topic courses (no more than 6 credits)

Suggested Outside Courses

- Jrn. 200 Introduction To Journalism
- Jrn. 235 News Writing and Reporting I
- Jrn. 336 News Writing and Reporting II
- Eng. 376 Creative Writing: Essay
- Eng. 377 Creative Writing: Playwriting
- Eng. 378 Creative Writing: Special Topics
- Jrn. 380 Feature Writing
- Jrn. 381 Opinion Writing
- Cine. 201 The Language of Film
- Eng. 403 Technical Writing
- Jrn. 412 Editing

Communication courses in **other emphases**: up to 12 credits

- _____ _____ _____ _____

(We encourage students to take Media Studies courses)

Advising Procedures

A maximum of 6 credits in related courses from outside the department may be counted toward the major.

The completion of a minor in a related field of study in another department at the University is required. Students should complete an Undergraduate Change of Major, Degree or Advisor form to declare their minor. **Note: Some courses offered by the Department are open to majors only. See course descriptions for information.**

GENERAL EDUCATION 44-46 cr. *

Study Area I - Arts and Humanities (9 cr.)

Eng. Lit. (3) _____ (3)

_____ (3)

Study Area II - Social Sciences (9 cr.)

History (3) _____ (3)

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Study Area III - Behavioral Sciences (6 cr.)

Comm. 230 *(3) _____ (3)

Study Area IV - Natural Sciences (6-7 cr.)

lab credit (1) _____ (3)

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Skill Area I – Comm. Skills (6 cr.)

Eng. 110 (3) **Comm. 140** * (3)

Skill Area II – Mathematics (6 cr.)

Math or Stat. (3) _____ (3)

Skill Area III - Foreign Language Proficiency

3 sequential years of one foreign language at the high school level

passed the foreign language exam

completed 112, 114 or higher foreign lang. course

demonstration of native proficiency in a language other than English

Skill Area IV – University Requirement (2-3 cr.)

_____ (2 or 3 cr.)

**MINOR IS REQUIRED. (18-24 credit hours)
SEE YOUR ADVISOR.**

Minor: _____

_____ (3) _____ (3)

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GENERAL ELECTIVES (to meet 122 total credits)

_____ (3) _____ (3)

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For Communication Department Use Only

Any Level Comm. Course	300 OR 400 Level Comm. Course	400 Level Only Comm. Course
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* Two Communication courses can count toward your Communication major as well as in the General Education areas. These two courses will count **only** as a total of six (6) credits.

*+ Only two courses from outside the (Communication) department may count toward the major in Communication. But if these courses are used toward Minor, they will not count toward the Major.