

## Minimum required: 120 semester credit hours

### General Requirements

1. The general education core curriculum courses are listed in the degree plan below along with the statewide component code number. See the General Education Core Curriculum (<https://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-education-core-curriculum/>) section of this catalog for the Texas State requirements and options in the core curriculum, including Honors courses.
2. In addition to the general education core curriculum, this major requires three hours of English literature, three hours of math/science/computer science courses and a minor.
3. Students must select a minor from the approved list of Undergraduate Minors (<http://www.mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/minors/>).
4. The core courses required of all Communication Studies students are COMM 1310 (<https://mycatalog.txstate.edu/search/?P=COMM%201310>), COMM 2315 (<https://mycatalog.txstate.edu/search/?P=COMM%202315>), COMM 2330 (<https://mycatalog.txstate.edu/search/?P=COMM%202330>), COMM 2338 (<https://mycatalog.txstate.edu/search/?P=COMM%202338>), COMM 3301 (<https://mycatalog.txstate.edu/search/?P=COMM%203301>) and COMM 3302 (<https://mycatalog.txstate.edu/search/?P=COMM%203302>).
5. For transfer students, 12 semester credit hours in Communications (or equivalents) may be transferred from a Texas public institution of higher education for the Communications Field of Study (FOS) and be applied to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Communication Studies at Texas State University. More information about the Field of Study (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-policies/texas-legislative-requirements/>) is available in the Academic Policies section of this catalog. The transferable Texas Common Course Number (TCCN) is listed below the Texas State University course number in the following course list. In the case where there is no Texas State University course number equivalent to a TCCN number, an elective will be counted.

Code	Title	Hours
COMM 1310	Fundamentals of Human Communication (TCCN: SPCH 1311)	3
COMM 2338	Public Speaking (TCCN: SPCH 1315)	3
COMM 2315	Interpersonal Communication (TCCN: SPCH 1318)	3
COMM Elective (TCCN: SPCH 1321)		3

6. The minimum number of hours required for this degree program is 120. The number of free elective hours a student will complete depends on the number of hours a student may need to achieve the required 120 total or 36 advanced hours.

### Course Requirements

Freshman		
First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
US 1100	1 ENG 1320 (Communication Component Code 010 [TCCN ENGL 1302])	3

ENG 1310 (Communication Component Code 010 [TCCN ENGL 1301])	3 POSI 2320 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070 [TCCN GOVT 2305])	3
POSI 2310 (Government/Political Science Component Code 070 [TCCN GOVT 2306])	3 COMM 2315 (TCCN SPCH 1318)	3
COMM 1310 (Component Area Option Code 090/091 [TCCN SPCH 1311])	3 COMM 2338 (TCCN SPCH 1315)	3
Mathematics Component Code 020	3 Creative Arts Component Code 050	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences Component Code 080	3	
	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>

#### Sophomore

First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
Component Code 090/094	3 Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030	3
COMM 2330	3 American History Component Code 060	3
Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030	3 Professional Skills for STEM Careers Support Course	3
Humanities for STEM Careers Support Course	3 PHIL 1305 or 1320 (Language, Philosophy, and Culture Component Code 040 [TCCN PHIL 1301 or 2306])	3
American History Component Code 060	3 COMM 3321	3
	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>

#### Junior

First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
COMM 3301	3 COMM 3302	3
Professional Skills for STEM Careers Support Course	3 BS Computer Science, Mathematics or Science	3
COMM Elective	6 Research Methods for STEM Support Course	3
Minor	3 COMM Elective	3
	Minor	3
	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>

#### Senior

First Semester Hours	Second Semester Hours	
COMM Electives	9 COMM Electives	6
Minor	6 Minor	6
	Open Electives <sup>1</sup>	2-5
	<b>15</b>	<b>14-17</b>

Total Hours: 120-123

<sup>1</sup> Students will need 5-hours of open electives if COMM 1310 is used in general education core requirements & COMM major requirements.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Humanities for STEM careers</b>		
Select 3-hours from the following:		
ANTH 3325	Medical Anthropology	3
DAN 4330	Dance Kinesiology	3
DVST 3320	Introduction to Global Diversity Issues	3
PHIL 1305	Philosophy and Critical Thinking	3
PHIL 1320	Ethics and Society	3
MC 3319	Visual Communication	3
MC 3343	Introduction to Public Relations	3
MC 4301	Media Law and Ethics	3
SOCI 3363	Medical Sociology: The Sociology of Health and Illness Behavior	3
SOCI 3324	Social Stratification	3
SOCI 3330	Globalization and Development	3
SOCI 3331	Social Movements	3

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Professional Skills for STEM careers</b>		
Select 6-hours from the following:		
CTE 3313N	Problem Solving and Decision Making	3
CTE 3313O	Health and Safety in the Workplace	3
CTE 3313P	Project Management	3
CTE 3313Q	Teamwork	3
CTE 3315	Leadership and Professional Development	3
CTE 3330	STEM Literacy for the Workplace	3
HA 3308	Healthcare Organization	3
HA 3309	Ethics in the Health Professions	3
HA 3324	Supervisory Management for Healthcare Managers	3
HA 3329	Human Resources in Healthcare Management	3
HA 3341	Project Management & Professional Development in Healthcare	3
HIM 3390	Principles of Management in HIIM	3
HIM 4390	Contemporary Leadership Principles for HIIM	3
HIM 4393	Project Management for HIIM	3
MGT 3301	Introduction to Management	3
NURS 4201	Professional Growth and Empowerment	2
NURS 4351	Leadership and Management of Nursing Care	3
OCED 4325	Development and Change in Organizations	3
PHIL 3322	Professional Ethics	3
PHIL 4301	Applied Philosophy	3
PH 3376	Worksite Health Promotion	3
PH 4335	Public Health Leadership	3

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Research Methods for STEM</b>		
Select 3-hours from the following:		
ANTH 3366	Social Impact & Innovation	3
ANTH 3367	Applied Statistics	3
ANTH 4361	Qualitative Research Methods	3
ANLY 2300	Introduction to Data Analytics	3
AG 3300	Undergraduate Research in Agricultural Sciences	3

GEO 3323	Researching the City	3
HDFS 2311	Statistics and Data Analysis for Human Development and Family Sciences	3
HIM 4331	Research and Data Analytics for HIIM	3
NURS 3302	Research and Ethics	3
SOCI 3307	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	3
SOCI 4309	Qualitative Research Methods	3