

COMMUNICATION MAJOR CHECKLIST

A grade of “C” or better is required (*C- does not count*) for all coursework counting towards the Communication (36 credits) major requirements. *120 credit hours, including University Core requirements, are required to graduate.*

I. Complete the core courses* (9 credits)

CMS 102: Introduction to Communication
CMS 103: Introduction to Media Studies
CMS 200: Research Methods in Communication

**You may begin other coursework in the program simultaneously, depending on prerequisites.*

II. Communications Theory (9 credits)

CMS 242 Communication and Social Media*, CMS 255 Business and Professional Communication, CMS 265 Intrapersonal Communication, CMS 272 Persuasion, CMS 275 Theories of Language, CMS 290 Intercultural Communication CMS 298 Topics in Communication I CMS 330 Theories of Interpersonal Communication, CMS 332 Communication in the Family , CMS 345 Small Group Communication, CMS 360 Ethical Dilemmas in the Digital Age**, CMS 375 Meaning and Communication* , CMS 85 Intergenerational Communication and the Internet, CMS 390 Theories of Organizational Communication, CMS 398 Topics in Communication II

III. Media Theory (6 credits)

CMS 210 Topics in Media Criticism I, CMS 240 Rhetoric, Media, and Culture, CMS 284 Intro to Cinema Studies, CMS 286 History of International Cinema to 1945**, CMS 288 History of International Cinema Since 1945**, CMS 294 Visual Communication , CMS 303 Media Effects, CMS 310 Topics in Media Criticism II , CMS 323 Understanding Technology**, CMS 350 The Internet and Society , CMS 355 Consumer Culture, CMS 370 Media and Social Change, CMS 374 Media Criticism and Aesthetics , CMS 380 Film Genres, CMS 384 Topics in Cinema Studies, CMS 394 Theories of Cinema, CMS 423 First Amendment*

IV. Complete a 400 level CMS senior seminar course- (3 credits)

CMS 420 Communication and Cognition, CMS 423 First Amendment*, CMS 432 Topics in Interpersonal Communication, CMS 455 Computer-Mediated Communication, CMS 475 Discursive Practices, CMS 480 Gender Communication*, CMS 484 Advanced Topics in Cinema Studies, CMS 485 Sex-Related Differences in Communication, CMS 486 Women in Film, CMS 490 Theories of Mass Communication, CMS 498 Topics in Communication III, (*CMS 450, CMS 430, and CMS 482 are not seminar courses*)

V. Complete Communication Capstone (3 credits)

CMS 495 Theories of Communication

VI. Communication and Media Studies Electives (6 credits)

Select two courses in Communication and Media Studies. *This does not include internship credits.*

*Some courses may count in more than one area but may not be used for more than one requirement within the major.

**Some courses may count *both* in the major and in the University’s core requirements.