

## Communication A.A.

Career Community: Communication, Journalism, and Language

Curriculum Code: 0136

Effective: Fall 2023 – Summer 2028

# **Purpose of Major**

This degree is designed for students who plan to transfer to a four-year university to pursue a baccalaureate degree in Communication with a variety of concentrations, including a major in Communication Disorders, as a junior. Students may also pursue Secondary Education Certification in Communication/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 Communication, Journalism, and Language, Enhanced AA degree. The 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**

For further information, including career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., 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
 Career Community Courses will meet this requirement.

- English Composition (second course) or Communication
  Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement
- Humanities and Fine Arts Select two
  Career Community Courses will meet this requirement
- Mathematics Select one Career Community Courses will meet this requirement
- Natural Sciences Select two, each from a different discipline, one must be a lab course Program of Study Required Courses 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). 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 Experience	1/1
COMM 120 or	Dynamics of Communication	3/3
COMM 130 or	Fundamentals Public Speaking	3/3
ENGL 122 or	Composition II	4/4
ENGL 132 or	Honors Composition II	4/4
SIGN 160	Intro to the Deaf Community	3/3
DMAC 260 or	World Cinema	4/4
ENGL 200 or	Introduction to Literature	3/3
JAPN 121 or	Elementary Japanese I	4/4
SIGN 162 or	American Sign Language II	3/3
SPAN 121 or	Elementary Spanish I	4/4
THEA 110	Introduction to Theater	3/3
ENGL 121 or	Composition I	4/4
ENGL 131	Honors Composition I	4/4
LING 230 or	Introduction to Linguistics	3/3
SIGN 161	American Sign Language I	3/3
MATH 119 or	Math – Applications for Living	4/4
MATH 120 or	College Algebra	4/4
STAT 170	Introduction to Statistics	4/4

#### Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

Students considering adding Secondary Certification in Communication/Theater Arts choose THEA 110.

Students considering transfer choose LING 230.

#### For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Ferris State University, and University of Michigan Flint choose ENGL 122 and MATH 120.
- Western Michigan University choose ENGL 122 and MATH 119.
- Michigan State University and Grand Valley State University choose COMM 130 and MATH 120.

**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	World Cinema	4/4
THEA 110	Introduction to Theater	3/3
LING 230	Introduction to Linguistics	3/3

#### Notes:

If COMM 120, COMM 130, DMAC 260, LING 230, or THEA 110 were completed as part of the Career Community block of courses, do not repeat enrollment.

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 two or three courses, from two different disciplines, as indicated for each transfer institution and major. One must be a lab course. If specific courses are not indicated, select any two courses from different disciplines. 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
ANTH 275	Biological Anthropology	4/4
ANTH 280	Forensic Anthropology	3/3
ASTR 201	Introductory Astronomy	4/5
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4/6
BIOL 121	Biol Foundation for Physiology	4/6
BIOL 125	Introductory Biology	4/6
BIOL 127	Cell Biology	4/6
BIOL 128	Organismal Biology	4/6
BIOL 145	Intro Anatomy and Physiology	4/6
BIOL 201	Human Anatomy	4/6
BIOL 202	Human Physiology	4/5
BIOL 203 and	Microbiology	3/3
BIOL 204	Microbiology Laboratory	1/3
BIOL 210	Natural Resource Conservation	4/6
BIOL 260	Botany	4/6
BIOL 265	Zoology	4/6
CHEM 135	Chemistry in Society	4/5
CHEM 151 and	General Chemistry Lecture I	4/4
CHEM 161	General Chemistry Lab I	1/3
CHEM 152 and	General Chemistry Lecture II	3/3
CHEM 162	General Chemistry Lab II	1/3
CHEM 182 and	Introductory Organic Chemistry	3/3
CHEM 192	Intro Organic Chem Lab	1/3
CHEM 262	Quantitative Analysis	3/6
CHEM 272	Organic Chemistry Laboratory	2/6
GEOG 220	Weather, Forecasting & Climate	4/4
GEOG 221	Physical Geography	4/4
GEOL 221	Physical Geology	4/6
GEOL 222	Historical Geology	4/6
GEOL 230	Environmental Geology	4/6
ISCI 121	Physical Science Concepts	4/6
ISCI 131	Integrated Physical Science	4/6
PFHW 123	Human Nutrition	3/3
PHYS 120	The Art of Physics	4/5
PHYS 200	Intro to Applied Physics	4/5
PHYS 221	Introductory Physics I	4/6

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
PHYS 222	Introductory Physics II	4/6
PHYS 251	Physics I with Calculus	5/7
PHYS 252	Physics II with Calculus	5/7

#### For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Grand Valley University (Communication Disorders) or Western Michigan University (Speech, Language, and Hearing Disorders) choose BIOL 125 and CHEM 135 or PHYS 120.
- Ferris State University (Communication or Sports Communication) choose BIOL 125 and PFHW 123.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Disorders) choose BIOL 121 and PHYS 120.

**Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice – Social Sciences** - Select one as indicated for each transfer institution and major. If specific courses are not indicated, select any course. Students considering the possibility of adding Secondary K-12 Certification at some point in the future are strongly encouraged to select the courses indicated. 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.

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ANTH 270	Cultural Anthropology	3/3
EDUC 204	Educational Psychology	3/3
EDUC 220	Intro to 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
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	4 / 4

#### For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Grand Valley State University (Communication Disorders) or Western Michigan University (Speech, Language, or Hearing Disorders) choose PSYC 200.
- Eastern Michigan University (Secondary Certification in Communication/Theater Arts) choose EDUC 204.
- Michigan State University (Communication) choose PSYC 200.

**Program of Study Limited Choice Courses –** Select courses as needed to reach the 60 credits required for the degree. See the notes below for the courses indicated for each transfer institution and major.

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	Composition II	4/4
ENGL 132	Honors Composition II	4 / 4
ENGL 200	Introduction to Literature	3/3
ENGL 260	African-American Literature	4 / 4
FREN 121 or	Elementary French I	4 / 4
GRMN 121 or	Elementary German I	4/4
JAPN 121 or	Elementary Japanese I	4/4
SPAN 121	Elementary Spanish I	4/4
FREN 122 or	Elementary French II	4 / 4
GRMN 122 or	Elementary German II	4/4
JAPN 122 or	Elementary Japanese II	4/4
SPAN 122	Elementary Spanish II	4/4
FREN 201 or	Intermediate French I	4/4
GRMN 201 or	Intermediate German I	4/4
JAPN 201 or	Intermediate Japanese I	4/4
SPAN 201	Intermediate Spanish I	4/4
FREN 202 or	Intermediate French II	4/4
GRMN 202 or	Intermediate German II	4/4
JAPN 202 or	Intermediate Japanese II	4/4
SPAN 202	Intermediate Spanish II	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

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
PHIL 152	Introduction to Ethics	4/4
PHOT 111	Digital Photography I	3/3
PHOT 112	Digital Imag for Photographers	4/4
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 181	Improvisation	2.5 / 4
THEA 220	Play Directing	3/4

#### Notes:

#### 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 (BA in Communications) choose ANTH 270 or ENGL 260, COMM 260, and any combination of Limited Choice.
- Eastern Michigan University (BS in Communication Disorders with Communication Minor) choose CHSE 120, COMM 260, EDUC 230, and 4 credits from any Limited Choice.
- Eastern Michigan University (Secondary Certification in Communication/Theater Arts) choose ANTH 270 or ENGL 260, COMM 260, EDUC 230, THEA 181, and THEA 220.
- Ferris State University (Communication or Sports Communication) choose COMM 260,
  COMM 270, and any combination of Limited Choice.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Studies) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, PHOT 111, PHOT 112, PHOT 117, and STAT 170.
- Grand Valley State University (B.S. in Communication Disorders) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, STAT 170, and any combination of Limited Choice.
- Michigan State University (Communication variety of concentrations) choose COMM 270 and 4 courses from the same foreign language: FREN, GRMN, JAPN, or SPAN 121, 122, 201, and 202.
- University of Michigan Flint (Communication) choose COMM 260, COMM 270, and FREN or GRMN or JAPN or SPAN 121 and 122 or SIGN 161 and SIGN 162.

- Western Michigan University (Communication) choose COMM 110, COMM 260, COMM 270, and FREN or GRMN or JAPN or SPAN 121 and 122.
- 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 / 60 billing hours

# **Recommended Course Sequence**

Semester I
ACAD 100
COMM 120 – Milestone
COMM 130
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences

Semester II
COMM 240
COMM 280
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170
Limited Choice – Social Sciences
Limited Choice

Semester III
COMM 200
DMAC 260 or THEA 110
LING 230
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences

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.