

2025 - 2026 Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies**48 Units**

Use this checklist in combination with your official Academic Requirements Report (ARR). This checklist is not intended to replace advising. Consult the advisor for appropriate course sequencing. *Curriculum changes in progress. Requirements subject to change.*

To be considered for admission to the major, complete the following Major Specific Degree Requirements (MSDR) by 60 units:

- **COMM 110, COMM 130, COMM 131** with a "C" or better and a minimum 2.5 overall and suite GPA
- Grades of "C" or better in GE Foundations

Courses	Prerequisites
Lower Division Core - Complete ALL of the following courses with grades of "C" or better (9 units total):	
COMM 110: Interpersonal Communication (3)	
COMM 130: Essentials of Public Speaking (3)	
COMM 131: Essentials of Argumentation (3)	

Foundational Core - Complete ALL of the following courses with grades of "C" or better (18 units total):	
COMM 200: Communication Studies Careers and Scholarship (3)	
COMM 300: Survey of Rhetorical Theory (3)	GE Foundations
COMM 301: Communication Criticism (3)	COMM 200 and 300 with Grades of "C" or Better
COMM 306: Communication Theory (3)	
COMM 307: Measurement in Communication Research (3)	COMM 200 and 306 with Grades of "C" or Better; Upper Division Standing
COMM 330: Intercultural Communication (3)	

Electives - Complete at least 21 UNITS of the following courses with grades of "C" or better (21 units total):	
COMM 309: Language and Social Interaction (3)	
COMM 331: Argumentation and Debate (3)	GE Foundations
COMM 333: Performing Culture (3)	GE Foundations
COMM 334: Communication in the Workplace (3)	
COMM 335: Persuasive Speaking (3)	GE Foundations
COMM 337: Professional Event Planning (3)	
COMM 338: Ensemble Performance (3)	
COMM 344: Interviewing Theory and Techniques (3)	
COMM 352: Story Telling (3)	
COMM 355: Instructional Communication: Theory and Application (3)	
COMM 358: Speech Arts for Children (3)	
COMM 400: Nonverbal Communication (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 410: Advanced Concepts in Interpersonal Communication (3)	COMM 110; Upper Division Standing
COMM 411: Interpersonal Conflict Resolution (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 412: Gender and Communication (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 414: Communication in Families (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 415: Rhetoric of Social Movements and Protest (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 420: Advanced Concepts in Organizational Communication (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 421: Communication in Bargaining and Negotiation (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 422: Media Effects (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 423: Communication Technologies and Social Media (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 425: Communication and Violence (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 430: Advanced Concepts in Intercultural Communication (3)	COMM 330; Upper Division Standing; or Consent
COMM 431: Mediation and Dispute Resolution (3)	Corequisite: COMM 330 or 430; COMM 411 and 421 Prerequisite: Upper Division Standing; or Consent

COMM 432: Leadership Communication (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 434: Advanced Oral Presentation Skills (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 439: Communication and Popular Culture (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 441: Issues in Freedom of Communication (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 442: Campaign Persuasion (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 443: Communication and Mindfulness (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 444: Positive Communication Principles and Practices (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
COMM 449: Studies in Oral Persuasion and Attitude Change (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 450: Communication Training in Organizations (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 466: Rhetoric of Horror (3)	Upper Division Standing
COMM 490: Selected Topics in Communication Studies (3)	Upper Division Standing

In order to graduate from CSULB, students must complete General Education/GWAR/Major requirements and have a minimum of 120 units (40 must be upper division) with at least a 2.0 in all GPAs (Overall, CSULB, Major).

Additional Information

- **See online Catalog for additional course information, limitations, and requirements.**
- Some courses may also fulfill GE requirements. Visit the GE website for course selection: csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements.
- A course can only be used to satisfy one major requirement. **Double counting is not allowed within the major.**
- COMM 200 must be completed within the first year of declaring the major.
- Majors will not be permitted to take any upper division classes in the major for Credit/No Credit.

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Checklists are available on the [ATLAS website](#)