

**West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2017-2018**

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NAME: _____ WT ID: _____ DATE: _____

**Communication Studies—Graduate School Preparation
Department of Communication
FAC 103 651-2798**

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS ♦		HRS	
Communication (Code 10)			
ENGL 1301 Introduction to Academic Writing and Argumentation	3		
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3		
Mathematics (Code 20)			
MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (extra MATH hour moves to Code 90)	3		
Life and Physical Sciences (Code 30)			
Take two courses from (extra lab hours move to Code 90): ♦			
ANSC 1319; BIOL 1406 or 1408, 1407* or 1409*, 1411, 1413; CHEM 1405* or 1411*, 1412*; ENVR 1407*; GEOL 1401 or 1403, 1402, 1404; PHYS 1401*, 1402*, 1411, 1412, 2425*, 2426*; PSES 1301, 1307	6		
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Code 40)			
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/**, 2313*, 2315*, or 2371	3		
			Choose 1
Creative Arts (Code 50)			
ARTS 1303, ARTS 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, MUSI 1307, MUSI 1310; or THRE 1310	3		
			Choose 1
American History (Code 60)			
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381	6		
			Choose 2
Government/Political Science (Code 70)			
POSC 2305 and 2306	6		
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Code 80)			
AGBE 2317*; COMM 2377; CRIJ 1301; ECON 2301, 2302; PSYC 2301; SOCI 1301	3		
			Choose 1
Component Area Option (Code 90)			
Take six hours from: ♦			
AGRI 2300; BIOL lab hours (from Code 30); BUSI 1304; CHEM lab hours (from Code 30); CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ENGL 1101, 1302*, 2311*; ENVR lab hour (from Code 30); FIN 1307; GEOL lab hours (from Code 30); IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); extra MATH hours (from Code 20); PHIL 2303; PHYS lab hours (from Code 30)	6		
COMMUNICATION STUDIES—GRADUATE SCHOOL PREPARATION MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 36 HOURS****			
A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.			
COMMUNICATION STUDIES CORE: 18 HOURS			
COMM 1318 Interpersonal Communication <small>If 1318 is taken to fulfill University core requirements, then 1315 or 1321 must be taken to satisfy the 18-hour COMM core requirement.</small>	3		
COMM 2376 Communication Theory	3		
COMM 2377 Intercultural Comm. OR COMM 3370 Gender Communication	3		
COMM 3315* Research Methods	3		
COMM 3341 Persuasion	3		
COMM 4301 Introduction to Rhetorical Criticism	3		
GRADUATE SCHOOL PREPARATION OPTION: 18 HOURS			
COMM 4305* Research Practicum	3		
COMM 4393* Senior Thesis	3		

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BS.COMM.GRAD (1205)**

COMM 4398 Communication Internship	3		
COMMUNICATION STUDIES ELECTIVES (9 HOURS BY ADVISEMENT) <small>COMM/MCOM 4300 Communication Study Abroad is an option.</small>	9		
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS: 6 HOURS		OPTION	
Six hours chosen from biology, chemistry, geology, geosciences, mathematics, physics and natural sciences.	6		
ELECTIVES: 36 HOURS BY ADVISEMENT—SEE NOTE			
ELECTIVES ♦			
Nine or more hours for B.S. requirements and/or electives must be 3000- or 4000-level to total 39 advanced hours at WTAMU.			
			36
MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE		120	

♦ NOTE: The core curriculum must total **exactly 42 hours**; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.

* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

** While MATH 1332 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).

*** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.

**** All communication studies majors will compile and submit an e-portfolio that demonstrates required competencies. See catalog for details.

NOTE: At least 39 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU, and 30 of the final 36 hours counted toward the degree must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of 60 semester hours in communication studies (COMM), six hours in religion (RELI) and six hours in physical education (PHED) can be counted toward a degree.

NOTE: This is NOT a degree plan. After completing 30 hours, students are encouraged to request an official degree plan by using the online [Degree Plan Request](#) form. The dean's office of the Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities, located in Mary Moody Northen Hall, Room 181 (or call 806-651-2782), can answer questions about the degree plan. Students who have completed 45 hours will not be allowed to progress without requesting a degree plan.

