ACADEMIC MAP

Public Relations

Communication Studies, Bachelor of Arts



First Year		
Fall		Hours
UNIV 1101	University Seminar I	1
COMM 1311	Foundation of Communication	3
University Core Curriculum		3
University Core Curriculum		3
University Core Curriculum		3
University Core C	Curriculum	3
	Hours	16
Spring		
UNIV 1102	University Seminar II	1
ENGL 1301	Writing and Rhetoric I	3
COMM 1318	Interpersonal Communication	3
MEDA 1307	Media and Society	3
MATH 1332 or PHIL 2303	Contemporary Mathematics or Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking	3
University Core Curriculum		3
	Hours	16
Second Year		
Fall		
University Core Curriculum		3
University Core Curriculum		3
University Core C	Curriculum	3
COMM 2335	Presentational Communication	3
COMM 1321	Business and Professional Communication	3
	Hours	15
Spring		
University Core Curriculum		3
University Core Curriculum		3
University Core C	curriculum	3
COMM 2330	Introduction to Public Relations	3
MEDA 2350	Media Performance	3
	Hours	15

Total Hours		120
Opper Division	Hours	13
Upper Division Electives Lower Divisional Elective Upper Division Electives		3 1 3
COMM 4394	Professional PR Portfolio	3
Spring		
	Hours	15
Lower Divisional Elective		
Upper Division I	3	
Upper Division Electives		
COMM 4399	Communication Internship	3
Fall COMM 4335	Crisis Communication	3
Fourth Year		
	Hours	15
COMM 3331	Public Relations Writing and Design	3
Upper Division I	3	
Upper Division Electives		
College Core		3
Spring COMM 4331	Public Relations Campaigns	3
	Hours	15
Upper Division I	Electives	3
Upper Division Electives		
Upper Division Electives		
COMM 3330	Persuasion	
College Core		
Fall		



CAREER MAP



COMMUNICATION STUDIES - PUBLIC RELATIONS

Bachelor of Arts

The BA in Communication Studies develops students' understanding of theories, research, and skills associated with the everyday exchange of messages, better known as human communication. A variety of contexts in which messages are exchanged, including interpersonal, small group, organizational, intercultural, and public communication, are explored through various course offerings in this track. Coursework is designed to prepare students for communication jobs or positions in related fields, such as public relations, sales, human resources management, and training and development, among many others, or to pursue advanced degrees in communication or related disciplines upon graduation.

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CAREER OPTIONS

- Public Relations Specialist
- Corporate Communications Manager
- Media Relations Manager
- Social Media Manager
- Public Affairs Specialist
- Event Coordinator
- Marketing Communications Specialist
- Digital PR Specialist
- Crisis Communications Manager
- Political Campaign Manager

SKILLS/ATTRIBUTES

- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
- Teamwork/Collaboration
- Oral/Written Communication

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

National Communication Association, Public Relations Society of America, American Society for Newspaper Editors, International Communication Association

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- Island Waves Student Newspaper
- Student Government Association
- Film Club