



Communication Studies

Major Preparation Sheet 2017-2018

Where does my path start?

You will complete an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) at Shoreline.

Use the AA -DTA Degree Planning Guide, with this sheet, to understand the requirements for graduation.

Once you complete your Shoreline degree, you can transfer to a four-year school to earn a baccalaureate degree in a communication field. Note that some related four-year programs may not be called “Communication Studies” or even include the word “communication.”

Communication is also an excellent major for graduate studies in humanities, social sciences, business, law, medicine, social justice, and education.

What is Communication Studies?

Communication Studies is an academic field that encompasses a wide range of areas, including interpersonal, small group, public speaking, and multicultural communication. U.S. programs in communication studies often include organizational, interpersonal, intercultural and critical cultural, and mass communication; rhetoric; advertising; human relations; journalism; film criticism; theater and performance studies; media studies; and radio, television, and film production.

Contemporary issues in Communication Studies: Interpersonal relations; conflict management; marriage and family; social networking; mediated communication; social justice (class, gender, sexual orientation, disabilities, age, race, ethnicity); intercultural relations; small group dynamics; public health; storytelling; public relations; and ethics.

Where can I go for help?

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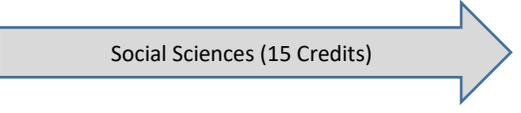
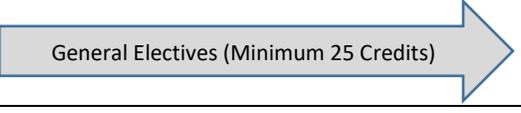
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What can I do with a Bachelor’s Degree in Communication Studies?

Graduates of Communication Studies can be found in a variety of fields such as academia, media production, human and public relations, journalism, health occupations, non-government organizations, politics, marketing, sports and music industries, and publicity.

Potential employers include: Federal, state, and local government agencies, public advocacy organizations, private foundations, non-profit organizations, labor unions, industries and corporations. For more, please visit <http://www.shoreline.edu/counseling-center/career-counseling.aspx>.

What courses should I take?*

	<p>Required: ENGL& 101; ENGL& 102; One course in Multicultural Understanding; One course in Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning</p> <p>Strongly Recommended: CMST 203 (Multicultural Understanding)</p> <p>Recommended: CMST 285 (Multicultural Understanding) MATH& 146 (Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning)</p>
	<p>Strongly Recommended: CMST& 101, 220</p> <p>Recommended: CMST& 210, 215; CMST 140, 230, 235, 244, 245, 247, 285, DRMA& 101, any literature class</p>
	<p>Strongly Recommended: CMST& 102</p> <p>Recommended: Anthropology, economics, history, political science, psychology, gender studies, and sociology courses</p>
	<p>Strongly Recommended: CMST& 210; CMST 230, 285</p>

Where can I transfer and what does my chosen four-year school require?

Before choosing classes, become familiar with the four-year program where you want to apply: visit the website, email the department, and/or speak with a Shoreline advisor. Below are examples from Washington schools with different admissions and graduation requirements. Check with the school for world language requirements. (Non-native speakers of English are often exempt from this requirement.)

School	Transfer Information	School	Transfer Information
Central Washington University	http://tinyurl.com/jdpjra6	University of Washington – Bothell	http://tinyurl.com/j9r7so5
Eastern Washington University	http://tinyurl.com/gqpzhnq	University of Washington – Seattle	http://tinyurl.com/hm3uecl
Gonzaga University	http://tinyurl.com/7c9d6xh	University of Washington – Tacoma	http://tinyurl.com/j778h7e
Pacific Lutheran University	http://tinyurl.com/zygoljk	Walla Walla University	http://tinyurl.com/z5a4h8p
Seattle Pacific University	http://tinyurl.com/z46xxxr	Washington State University	http://tinyurl.com/jk3a2v2
Seattle University	http://tinyurl.com/z3kpcmc	Western Washington University	http://www.wvu.edu/vtc/
The Evergreen State College	http://tinyurl.com/zhyjy3s	Whitworth University	http://tinyurl.com/zcdww66
University of Puget Sound	http://tinyurl.com/h7yqx8s		

**** This unofficial guide is intended to support you as you prepare for your major. Please consult with an advisor and your chosen four-year school(s), as program and admissions requirements vary and may change without notice.**