

SUGGESTED THREE-YEAR GRADUATION PLAN

Roadmap: Communication Studies - Interpersonal Communication - Bachelor of Arts



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This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses and milestones designed as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Attribute	Notes
Post-Secondary Coursework or Credit By Examination Upon Entry as a Freshman: [30-32 Credit Hours]						
	Kent Core Composition ¹	6				
	Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning ¹	3-5				
	Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts ¹	9				
	Kent Core Social Sciences ¹	3				
	Kent Core Additional ¹	3				
	General Electives ²	6				
Semester One [16 Credits]						
	COMM 15000 Introduction to Human Communication	3		■	KAD	
	JMC 20001 Media, Power and Culture or JMC 20003 Introduction to Mass Communication	3			DD/KSS	
	US 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience ³	1				
	COMM Concentration Electives ⁴	3		■		
	General Electives ²	6				
	COMM 15000 Introduction to Human Communication	3				
Semester Two [15 Credits]						
!	COMM 20000 Foundations of Communication ⁵	3	C	■		
!	COMM 25902 Communication Theory	3		■		
	VCD 14001 Visual Design Literacy	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
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Semester Three [15 Credits]						
!	COMM 20001 Interpersonal Communication	3		■		
	COMM 26000 Criticism of Public Discourse (3) or COMM 35852 Intercultural Communication (3) or COMM 35912 Gender and Communication (3)	3		■	DD/KHU DG DD	
	COMM Concentration Electives ⁴	6		■		
	LIS 30010 Information Fluency in the Workplace and Beyond	3				
Semester Four [15 Credits]						
!	COMM 30000 Communication Research Methods	3		■		
	Interpersonal Communication Electives ⁶	6		■		
	General Electives ²	6				
Semester Five [15 Credits]						
	Interpersonal Communication Electives ⁶	3		■		
	COMM Concentration Electives ⁴	3		■		
	General Electives ²	9				
Semester Six [14 Credits]						
	COMM 40001 Advanced Interpersonal Communication ⁷	3	C	■	WIC	
	COMM 46091 Senior Seminar	3	C	■	ELR	
	General Electives ²	8				

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours 30000 – 40000 level course	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Minimum	
			Major GPA	Overall GPA
120	39	36	2.250	2.000

¹ Enrollment based on placement test

² Credit for course may be earned through AP or CLEP; See list of Kent Core courses that can be earned through AP, CLEP or CBE exams on page 3

³ Course repeated for a total of 16 credit hours; Piano Performance students are required to perform a half junior and a full senior recital. Applied music registration at the 46000 level is required during a degree recital semester. The senior recital may be used to satisfy the Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR).

⁴ Major ensemble (8 semesters and 8 credit hours):

Students must enroll in a major ensemble appropriate to their major performance area each semester they are registered full time as music majors until the semester requirement has been completed. Piano Performance majors must take 4 credit hours of MUS 45321, 2 credit hours of MUS 45311 and 2

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credit hours selected from MUS 45311 or a major vocal or instrumental ensemble or 1 credit hour selected from chamber music or a major vocal or instrumental ensemble and DAN 28010 Dance Accompaniment Laboratory I (2 credit hours).

Choose from the following	
DAN 28010 Dance Accompaniment Laboratory I (2)	MUS 45212 Orchestra (1)
MUS 45111 University Choir (1)	MUS 45221 Concert Band (1)
MUS 45121 Kent Chorus (1)	MUS 45223 Wind Ensemble (1)
MUS 45141 Kent State University Chorale (1)	MUS 45311 Chamber Music (1)
MUS 45142 Men's Chorus (1)	MUS 45321 Accompanying (1-2)
MUS 45143 Women's Chorus (1)	

5. US 10097 is not required of transfer students with 25 credits or students age 21+ at time of admission.

6. A minimum C (2.000) grade must be earned to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement.

7. If MUS 48512 is taken, take 2 credits of general electives.

Additional Notes for the BM Music–Piano Performance program:

- Students who begin a music or music education program as first semester freshmen, are required to attend a minimum four-year total of 84 concerts or recitals. Students who transfer from a non-music program or university must attend an average of 10 music recitals or concerts for semesters of full time enrollment.
- Piano Performance students are required to perform a half junior and a full senior recital. Applied music registration at the 46000 level is required during a degree recital semester. The senior recital may be used to satisfy the Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR).
- Applied music courses are available in the summer on selected instruments.
- Upon completion of 60 semester hours, each student is required to contact the Office of Advising and Academic Services to obtain a current evaluation of progress toward completion of the student's chosen degree program.

Students who pass 15 credits of non-remedial academic coursework each fall and spring semester and the 1-credit First Year Experience course will accumulate 120 credits in four years. This major requires 125 credits for graduation. Students can stay on track for graduation by:

- Declaring their major as freshmen and completing all courses in sequence (bear in mind that switching majors may cause a delay in graduation);
- Prioritizing required courses above electives;
- Meeting regularly with their academic advisors to stay on track;
- Passing each required course the first time attempted and maintaining the minimal GPA for the major;
- Successfully completing more than 15 credit hours of relevant coursework (field-based work, internship) during academic semesters; and/or
- Completing relevant coursework (field-based work, internship) during summer sessions.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Kent Core (general education requirements), diversity, writing-intensive and experiential learning requirements. For more information about these requirements, please read the following sections in the University Catalog: Kent Core – www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core; Diversity Course Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity; Writing-Intensive Course Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/wic; Experiential Learning Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/elr.

Attribute Legend: DD Diversity–Domestic; DG Diversity–Global; ELR Experiential Learning; KAD Kent Core Additional; KBS Kent Core Basic Sciences; KCM Kent Core Composition; KFA Kent Core Fine Arts; KHU Kent Core Humanities; KMC Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning; KSS Kent Core Social Sciences; WIC Writing Intensive