

SUGGESTED THREE-YEAR GRADUATION PLAN



Communication Studies - Interpersonal Communication – Bachelor of Arts

[CI-BA-COMM-IPCM]

College of Communication and Information

School of Communication Studies

Catalog Year: 2012–2013

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

Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Upper Div.	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Important Notes
Post-Secondary Coursework or Credit By Examination Upon Entry as a Freshman: [30-32 Credit Hours]					
Kent Core Composition	6				See list of Kent Core courses that can be earned through AP, CLEP or CBE exams on page 3
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning	3-5				
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts	9				
Kent Core Social Sciences	3				
Kent Core Additional	3				
General Electives (lower or upper division)	6				See note 3 on page 2
Semester One: [16 Credit Hours]					
COMM 15000 Introduction to Human Communication	3			■	Fulfills Kent Core Additional
JMC 20001 Media, Power and Culture or JMC 20003 Introduction to Mass Communication	3				JMC 20001 fulfills Kent Core Social Sciences and domestic diversity requirement
US 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience	1				Not required for transfer students with 25 credits
COMM Concentration Elective (upper division)	3	■		■	See note 3
General Electives (lower or upper division)	6				See note 2 on page 2
Semester Two: [15 Credit Hours]					
COMM 20000 Foundations of Communication	3		C	■	See note 1 on page 2
COMM 25902 Communication Theory	3			■	
VCD 14001 Visual Design Literacy	3				
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
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Semester Three: [15 Credit Hours]					
COMM 20001 Interpersonal Communication	3			■	
COMM 26000 Criticism of Public Discourse or COMM 35852 Intercultural Communication or COMM 35912 Gender and Communication	3			■	COMM 35852 fulfills global diversity requirement; COMM 26000 and 35912 fulfill domestic diversity requirement; COMM 26000 fulfills Kent Core Humanities
COMM Concentration Elective (at least 3 credit hours must be upper division)	6			■	See note 3 on page 2
LIS 30010 Information Fluency in the Workplace and Beyond	3	■			
Semester Four: [15 Credit Hours]					
COMM 30000 Communication Research Methods	3	■		■	
COMM 35600 Communication in Small Groups and Teams or COMM 36505 Communication, Aging and Culture or COMM 45957 Language, Meaning and Cognition or COMM 45959 Nonverbal Communication or COMM 46601 Relational Communication or COMM 46605 Communication Across the Life Span or COMM 46608 Family Communication	6	■		■	Three courses from this list must be complete; choose one this semester and complete the other two next semester
General Electives (lower or upper division)	6				See note 2 on page 2
Semester Five: [15 Credit Hours]					
COMM 35600 Communication in Small Groups and Teams or COMM 36505 Communication, Aging and Culture or COMM 45957 Language, Meaning and Cognition or COMM 45959 Nonverbal Communication or COMM 46601 Relational Communication or COMM 46605 Communication Across the Life Span or COMM 46608 Family Communication	3	■		■	Select course not taken earlier
COMM Concentration Elective (upper division)	3	■		■	See note 3 on page 2
General Electives (lower or upper division)	9				Should fulfill global diversity requirement if not satisfied earlier; see note 2 on page 2

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Semester Six: [15 Credit Hours]					
COMM 40001 Advanced Interpersonal Communication	3	■	C	■	Fulfills writing-intensive course requirement
COMM 46091 Senior Seminar	3	■	C	■	Fulfills experiential learning requirement
General Electives (upper division)	9	■			See note 2 below; number of credits required depends on meeting minimum 121 credit hours and minimum 39 upper-division credit hours

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Global / Domestic Diversity Course	Writing-Intensive	Experiential Learning	Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
121	39	36	COMM 35852, Kent Core or General Elective / JMC 20001	COMM 40001	COMM 46091	2.250	2.000

Kent Core Summary

Kent Core Categories	Important Notes	Remaining Credit Hours
Composition (6-8 credit hours) <i>ENG 11002, 11011, 21011; HONR 10197, 10297</i>	Enrollment based on placement test	6-8
Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (3-5 credit hours)	Enrollment based on placement test	3-5
Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credit hours) <i>Minimum one course from humanities in Arts and Sciences and minimum one course from fine arts</i>	3 credits may be fulfilled in this major with COMM 26000; may fulfill global diversity requirement	9
Social Sciences (6 credit hours) <i>Must be selected from two curricular areas</i>	3 credits fulfilled in this major with JMC 20001; remaining course may fulfill global diversity requirement	3
Basic Sciences (6-7 credit hours) <i>Must include one laboratory</i>		6-7
Additional (6 credit hours) <i>Must be selected from two Kent Core categories</i>	3 credits fulfilled in this major with COMM 15000; remaining course may fulfill global diversity requirement	3

Note 1: Students must successfully complete a grammar competency requirement within the first 20 credits of the major and before enrolling in the required writing-intensive course associated with the major. Students will be provided one opportunity to fulfill this major requirement while enrolled in COMM 20000 Foundations of Communication. Students who do not earn a score of 680 or better on this test-out opportunity in COMM 20000 must complete COMM 21000 Grammar Review (1 credit), earning a C or better in the course in order to fulfill this grammar requirement.

Note 2: Any COMM course taken is calculated in the major GPA.

Note 3: Of the 12 credit hours required for concentration elective courses, 9-12 must be upper-division. Maximum 6 credit hours combined from COMM 45092 and 45196.

Note: The School of Communication Studies generally will approve dual concentrations for Communication studies students as long as there are at least 12 hours of coursework in the concentration elective courses exclusively applied to each concentration (resulting in a total of 24 hours of unique concentration electives across the two concentrations). Students must also complete all of the other concentration requirements specific to each concentration, in addition to differentiating their major elective courses across the two concentrations. If one of the dual concentration choices is either the applied or the global communication concentration, students may select courses from across the College of Communication and Information in their elective choices for completing that part of the dual concentration. Any other duplicative course requirements for the two concentrations beyond the requirements specified above may be double counted when completing a dual concentration option.

Students electing a dual concentration must meet with an advisor to plan an individualized plan of study that meets these requirements before the dual concentration option will be approved for that student. Any changes made to the program of study also must be approved by an advisor, or the student may not be allowed to graduate with this option.

Kent Core Courses That Can Be Earned Through Exams

LEGEND: G – Global Diversity; D – Domestic Diversity; LAB – Laboratory

				Minimum AP score ¹	Minimum CLEP score ²	Minimum CBE score ³
COMPOSITION						
ENG	11011	College Writing I (3)		3	50	C
ENG	21011	College Writing II (3)				C
MATHEMATICS AND CRITICAL REASONING						
CS	10051	Introduction to Computer Science (4)		3		
MATH	11010	Algebra for Calculus (3)			50	
MATH	11012	Intuitive Calculus (3)				C
MATH	12002	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I (5)		3	50	C
MATH	14001	Basic Mathematical Concepts I (4)				C
MATH	14002	Basic Mathematical Concepts II (4)				C
PHIL	21002	Introduction to Formal Logic (3)				C
HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS						
Humanities in Arts and Sciences						
ENG	22073	Major Modern Writers: British and United States (3)		3	50	
G HIST	11050	History of Civilization I (3)		3		C
G HIST	11051	History of Civilization II (3)		3		C
D HIST	12070	History of the United States: The Formative Period (3)		3	50	C
D HIST	12071	History of the United States: The Modern Period (3)		3	50	C
HIST	1xxxx	European History (3)		3		
Fine Arts						
ARCH	10012	Survey of Architectural History II (3)				C
ARTH	22006	Art History I: Ancient and Medieval Art (3)		3		
MUS	22111	The Understanding of Music (3)				C
G MUS	22121	Music as a World Phenomenon (3)				C
SOCIAL SCIENCES						
ECON	22060	Principles of Microeconomics (3)		3	50	
ECON	22061	Principles of Macroeconomics (3)		3	50	
GEOG	10160	Introduction to Geography (3)				C
G GEOG	17063	World Geography (3)				C
D GEOG	17064	Geography of the United States and Canada (3)				C
G GEOG	22061	Human Geography (3)		3		
G POL	10004	Comparative Politics (3)		3		
D POL	10100	American Politics (3)		3	50	
D PSYC	11762	General Psychology (3)		3	50	
D PSYC	20651	Child Psychology (3)			50	
D SOC	12050	Introduction to Sociology (3)			50	
BASIC SCIENCES						
BSCI	10110	Biological Diversity (4)		3	50	
BSCI	10120	Biological Foundations (4)		4	50	
LAB BSCI	11010	Anatomy and Physiology I for Allied Health (3)				C
LAB BSCI	11020	Anatomy and Physiology II for Allied Health (3)				C
CHEM	10030	Chemistry in Our World (3)				C
CHEM	10050	Fundamentals of Chemistry (3)				C
CHEM	10052	Introduction to Organic Chemistry (2)				C
CHEM	10054	General and Elementary Organic Chemistry (5)				C
CHEM	10060	General Chemistry I (4)		3	50	C
CHEM	10061	General Chemistry II (4)		5	50	C
LAB CHEM	10062	General Chemistry I Laboratory (1)		4		
GEOL	11040	Earth Dynamics (3)				C
GEOL	11042	Earth History (3)				C
GEOL	21062	Environmental Geology (3)		3		C
GEOL	21080	Oceanography (3)				C
PHY	11030	Seven Ideas that Shook the Universe (3)				C
PHY	13001	General College Physics I (4)		3		C
PHY	13002	General College Physics II (4)		3		C
PHY	13011	College Physics I (2)				C
PHY	13012	College Physics II (2)				C
LAB PHY	13021	General College Physics Laboratory I (1)		3		
LAB PHY	13022	General College Physics Laboratory II (1)		3		
PHY	21040	Physics in Entertainment and the Arts (3)				C
PHY	21430	Frontiers in Astronomy (3)				C
PHY	23101	General University Physics I (5)		3		C
PHY	23102	General University Physics II (5)		3		C

- For more information on AP at Kent state, visit www.kent.edu/honors/academicsandresearch/advanced-placement.cfm.
- For more information on CLEP at Kent State, visit www.kent.edu/career/testing/clep.
- For more information on CBE at Kent State, visit www.kent.edu/registrar/info/cbe.cfm.

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