

COMMUNICATION ARTS - COMMUNICATION STUDIES OPTION, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS (COMM)

Effective: Spring 2021

The Communication Arts major at Delaware County Community College blends the theoretical with the practical by providing students with a foundation in the study of human communication that prepares them to continue academic study in the field. In particular, students select specialized programs and related electives by choosing one of three degree program options: Communication Studies, Journalism, or Theatre. When selecting a Communication Arts program option, including courses and electives, the student should consult four-year transfer institution requirements.

The Communication Studies option is designed for students who wish to continue academic study in human communication including, but not limited to, interpersonal, intercultural, public speaking and media studies.

Program Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to:

- Apply basic theories and principles of human communication.
- Construct messages that demonstrate use of critical thinking and organization skills.
- Identify, evaluate and apply ethical principles as a communicator.
- Demonstrate and adapt appropriate forms of verbal, nonverbal and mediated expression.

Full-Time Academic Plan

The College Transfer Office (<https://www.dccc.edu/admissions-financial-aid/transfer/transfer-office>) is set up to help Delaware County Community College students transfer to four-year colleges and universities. If you are planning to transfer, you are strongly encouraged to meet with a transfer advisor within your first two semesters (or before you reach 30 transferable college credits from all institutions attended).

First Semester		Hours
ENG 100	English Composition I ^{CR, IL, WC}	3
COMM 100	Interpersonal Communication ^{OC}	3
CS 100	Introduction to Information Technology ^{TC}	3
	or CS 101 or Introduction to Computer Science	
Select one of the following: ^{DJ, GU}		3
	HIS 110 American History I	
	HIS 120 American History II	
	HIS 150 World Civilizations I	
	HIS 160 World Civilizations II	
Arts & Humanities Elective (Foreign Language recommended)		3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
ENG 112	English Composition II: Writing About Literature ^{CR, IL, WC}	3
COMM 104	Introduction to Mass Communication	3
	Any transferrable Quantitative Reasoning designated MAT course ^{1, QR}	3-4
	Any transferable Scientific Inquiry designated science course ^{SI}	4

Arts & Humanities Elective (Foreign Language recommended)		3
Hours		16-17
Third Semester		
COMM 111	Public Speaking ^{OC}	3
COMM 102 or COMM 201	Communication Across Cultures or Communication Theory	3
Arts & Humanities Elective		3
Any PSY or SOC course		3
Science or Mathematics Elective		3-4
Hours		15-16
Fourth Semester		
Electives		
Program Electives		6
Arts & Humanities Elective		3
Behavioral & Social Science Elective		3
Open Elective		3
Hours		15
Total Hours		61-63

Notes

Scientific Inquiry designated courses (https://catalog.dccc.edu/academic-programs/college-academic-learning-goals/#SR_Course_List)

Quantitative Reasoning designated courses (https://catalog.dccc.edu/academic-programs/college-academic-learning-goals/#QR_Course_List)

Any transferable Quantitative Reasoning designated MAT course (not MAT 110 or MAT 125)

Program Option Electives:

Code	Title	Hours
COMM 102	Communication Across Cultures	3
COMM 106	New Media and Culture	3
COMM 115	Introduction to Public Relations	3
COMM 200	Argumentation and Debate	3
COMM 201	Communication Theory	3
HUM 141	Film Language	3
HUM 142	American Cinema	3
BUS 230	Principles of Marketing ²	3

² BUS 230 only if needed for Transfer

Arts and Humanities Electives

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- COMM - Communication Studies (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/comm/>)
- DRA - Drama (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/dra/>)
- ENG - English (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/eng/>) (ENG 115 and above)
- HUM - Humanities (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/hum/>)
- MUS - Music (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/mus/>)
- PHI - Philosophy (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/phi/>)

- TSC - Trauma Studies (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/tsc/>)

Some programs specify or recommend a Foreign Language.

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Foreign Languages:</i>		
FRE 101	Elementary French I	
FRE 102	Elementary French II	
FRE 111	Intermediate French I	
FRE 112	Intermediate French II	
SPA 101	Elementary Spanish I	
SPA 102	Elementary Spanish II	
SPA 201	Intermediate Spanish I	
SPA 202	Intermediate Spanish II	

Behavioral and Social Science

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- ADJ - Administration of Justice (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/adj/>)
- ECE - Early Childhood Education (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/ece/>)
- ECO - Economics (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/eco/>)
- EDU - Education (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/edu/>)
- HIS - History (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/his/>)
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- POL - Political Science (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/pol/>)
- PSY - Psychology (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/psy/>)
- SOC - Sociology (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/soc/>)
- SWO - Social Work (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/courses/course-descriptions/swo/>)

Part-Time Academic Plan

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
ENG 100	English Composition I	3
COMM 100	Interpersonal Communication	3
CS 100 or CS 101	Introduction to Information Technology or Introduction to Computer Science	3
Hours		9
Second Semester		
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Humanities Elective (foreign language recommended)		3
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Hours		9
Third Semester		
COMM 104	Introduction to Mass Communication	3
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Any transferable Scientific Inquiry designated science course		4
Hours		10-11
Fourth Semester		
Humanities Elective (foreign language recommended)		3
COMM 111	Public Speaking	3
COMM 102 or CS 105	Communication Across Cultures or Management Information Systems	3
Hours		9
Fifth Semester		
Humanities Elective		3
Any PSY or SOC course		3
Science or Mathematics Elective		3-4
Hours		9-10
Sixth Semester		
Electives		
Program Elective		3
Social Science Elective		3
Humanities Elective		3
Hours		9
Seventh Semester		
Program Elective		3
Open Elective		3
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Campus Locations

HYBRID DEGREE (Online* and Classroom)

85% online

The following courses may not be available online:

Code	Title	Hours
Classroom Only		
MAT 160	Calculus I	4
	Scientific Inquiry (SI) designated Science course	4
COMM 111	Public Speaking	3

* Some online courses have **field requirements** or **in-person or proctored testing**. Online courses with these requirements have additional information posted under the **COURSE DESCRIPTION** section when you are registering. Please note these requirements when registering.

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