

COMMUNICATION ARTS - JOURNALISM OPTION, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS (JOUR)

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 Journalism option is designed for students who wish to continue academic study in journalism, public relations and/or mass communication. Students contemplating a career in print media, electronic media, photojournalism, or public relations should select this program.

Program Outcomes

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

- Apply basic theories and principles of human communication.
- Explain the general theory and practices of mass communication, including media forms.
- Gather, evaluate, synthesize and accurately present and attribute content (text, images, video or sound) from a variety of sources, according to industry standards.
- Explain and adhere to important legal and ethical guidelines followed by journalists and public relations practitioners.

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	3
COMM 100 Interpersonal Communication	3
Select one of the following:	3
HIS 110 American History I	
HIS 120 American History II	
HIS 150 World Civilizations I	
HIS 160 World Civilizations II	
Any transferrable Quantitative Reasoning designated MAT course ¹	3-4
Arts & Humanities Elective (Foreign Language recommended)	3
Hours	15-16
Second Semester	Hours
ENG 112 English Composition II: Writing About Literature	3
ENG 130 Fundamentals of Journalism I	3
CS 100 Introduction to Information Technology or CS 101 Introduction to Computer Science	3

Any PSY or SOC course	3
Arts & Humanities Elective (Foreign Language recommended)	3
Hours	15
Third Semester	Hours
ENG 131 Fundamentals of Journalism II	3
COMM 104 Introduction to Mass Communication	3
Arts & Humanities Elective	3
Program Option Elective	3
Any transferable Scientific Inquiry designated science course	4
Hours	16
Fourth Semester	Hours
Program Option Electives	3
Arts & Humanities Elective	3
Science or Mathematics Elective	3-4
Behavioral & Social Science Elective	3
Open Elective	3
Hours	15-16
Total Hours	61-63

Notes

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

¹Any transferable Quantitative Reasoning MAT course (not MAT 110 or MAT 125)

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

Program Option Electives:

Code	Title	Hours
ART 236	Digital Photography I	3
COMM 115	Introduction to Public Relations	3
ENG 205	Creative Writing: Introduction	3
ENG 206	Creative Writing: Non-Fiction and Memoirs	3
IMM 110	Multimedia Graphics & Design	3
IMM 120	Web Page Design and Development	3
IMM 201	Audio and Video for Multimedia	3

Arts and Humanities Electives

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- 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/>)

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

Part-Time Academic Plan

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Hours		9
Second Semester		
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Humanities Elective (foreign language recommended)		3
ENG 112	English Composition II: Writing About Literature	3
Hours		9-10
Third Semester		
ENG 130	Fundamentals of Journalism I	3
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Any PSY or SOC course		3
Hours		9
Fourth Semester		
Humanities Elective (foreign language recommended)		3
ENG 131	Fundamentals of Journalism II	3
COMM 104	Introduction to Mass Communication	3
Hours		9
Fifth Semester		
Humanities Elective		3
Program Option Elective		3
Any transferable Scientific Inquiry designated science course		4
Hours		10
Sixth Semester		
Program Option Elective		3
Humanities Elective		3
Science or Mathematics Elective		3-4
Hours		9-10
Seventh Semester		
Social Science Elective		3
Open Elective		3
Hours		6
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