Communication Studies 2.0 AA-T Degree

PART TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2026-27

GE Pattern: Cal-GETC

Total Units: 60

First Year

Semester 1

6 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
GE	ENGL C1000 College Composition **or** ENGL C1000H [H] Honors College Composition	3 3		1A
Elec	any transferable elective course	3		

Semester 2

7 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	COMM C1000 Introduction to Public Speaking	3		1C
GE	STAT C1000 Introduction to Probability and Statistics **or** STAT C1000H [H] Introduction to Probability and Statistics - Honors	4 4		2

Second Year

Semester 3

9 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	COMM C1004 Interpersonal Communication	3		
RE	ENGL C1001 Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking **or** ENGL C1001H [H] Honors Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking	3 3	ENGL C1000 or C1000H	1B
GE	any Area 5B (Biological Sciences) course	3		5B

Semester 4

7 Units

TRANSFER PATH

Potential Transfer Majors:

- Communications Studies B.A.
- Communication A.B.

Potential Career/Options After Completing a Bachelor's Degree:

A degree in communications prepares students for a wide variety of careers, including community relations director, communication trainer, salesperson, speechwriter, student services director, and hotel manager.

Advising Notes:

- This map is designed for students who are able to take 2-3 classes (or 6-9 units) each semester. See a counselor to adjust the coursework to meet your specific needs.
- Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGL C1000/C1000H (formerly known as ENGWR 300/480).
- **Transferable Elective Courses:** any elective courses numbered 300-499, or having a 4-digit number starting with C.

Other Notes to Students Preparing to Transfer:

- See ASSIST.ORG for the transfer requirements of the institution to which you plan to transfer.

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
RE	COMM 325 Intercultural Communication	3		4
GE	any Area 5A (Physical Sciences) course	3		5A
GE	any Area 5C (Science Lab) course[1]	1		5C

[1] The Area 5C (Science Lab) course must correspond with either the Area 5A (Physical Sciences) or Area 5B (Biological Sciences) course and must be taken concurrently or after the lecture course.

Third Year

Semester 5

9 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
RE	COMM 302 Persuasive Speech	3		
GE	any Area 3B (Humanities) course	3		3B
Elec	any transferable elective course	3		

Semester 6

9 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
RE	COMM 311 Argumentation and Debate	3		
GE	any Area 3A (Arts) course	3		3A
Elec	any transferable elective course	3		

Fourth Year

Semester 7

6 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
GE	any Area 4 (Social & Behavioral Sciences) course in a discipline other than COMM	3		4
Elec	any transferable elective course	3		

Semester 8

7 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
GE	any Area 6 (Ethnic Studies) course	3		6
Elec	any transferable elective course	3		
Elec	any transferable elective course	1		

- The CSU system requires every student receiving a bachelor's degree to be knowledgeable about the Constitution of the United States, American history, and state and local government. This requirement is generally known as the American Institutions requirement. Students can complete this requirement at ARC before transferring. See a counselor for a list of approved courses.

Honors Courses (H):

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better who complete 15 or more units of Honors coursework earn an Honors Transfer Certificate and can take advantage of honors-to-honors transfer agreements with highly selective colleges and universities, both public and private.

EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES		
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for a degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement
Elec	Degree Elective	A degree-applicable course that is part of a degree roadmap to ensure that there is a total of at least 60 units, which is a requirement for an associate degree
Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list

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