



Southeastern Louisiana University
Department of Communication

The mission of the Department of Communication is manifold and varied:

1. To offer students a liberal education in and a basic understanding of historical and contemporary aspects of Western culture through the study of communication in that culture.
2. To expose students to concepts, theories, and research methods related to the broad field of communication.
3. To train students in certain skills and to furnish them with knowledge of the communication processes so as to enable them to function more effectively in society.
4. To prepare students for further work in the field by offering at least basic courses in the various areas of the discipline.
5. To afford students the basic knowledge required to become teachers in the fields of communication and journalism at the high school level.
6. To serve the University and community by providing knowledge and expertise in speech, journalism, and mass communication.

The Department of Communication teaches speech fundamentals, critical thinking; research skills, writing, producing and directing for print, broadcast and online media; mass communication and journalism; interpersonal and intrapersonal communication; forensics; communication theory; organizational communication; communication education; and journalism education.

MAJOR

Students wishing to major in Communication must complete 39 semester hours of Communication courses. Students must complete the 21 hour core requirement, and 18 hours of prescribed courses in *one* of the concentrations. The major in Communication leads to the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Core Requirements:

Communication 101	1 hour
Communication 151	3 hours
Communication 159	3 hours
Communication 198	1 hour
Communication 211	3 hours
Communication 215	3 hours
Communication 291	3 hours
Communication 453	3 hours
Communication 498	<u>1 hour</u>
Total	21 hours

HONORS DIPLOMA IN COMMUNICATION

For the Honors Diploma in Communication, majors must complete the following requirements:

English 121H ¹	3 hours
English 122H ²	3 hours
History 101H ³	3 hours
History 102H ⁴	3 hours
English 291H, English 292H, History 201H, History 202H, Econ 201H, Gbio 151H, Math 161H, Honors 191, Honors 311, Honors 312, Honors 313, or Honors 314 ⁵ ..	3 hours
Communication 353, 400, 410, 411, 418, 451, 453, 456, 458, 461, 471, or 475 ⁶ ..	9 hours
Honors 300 Senior Thesis ⁷	<u>1 hour</u>
Total	25 hours

¹This course can be substituted for English 101.

²This course can be substituted for English 102.

³This course can be substituted for History 101 or 201.

⁴This course can be substituted for History 102 or 202.

⁵Any one of these courses can be substituted for similar major requirements with the approval of the Department Head.

⁶These courses must be completed as an H-Option.

⁷The domain in which the student will complete the thesis project and the student's participation in the OSCAR program, service learning, internship or international experience will be determined during the student's enrollment in Communication 498.

MINORS

Minors are offered in Communication upon successful completion of the prescribed hours as follows:

1. For the minor in Communication:

Communication 159	3 hours
Communication 211	3 hours
Communication 215	3 hours
Communication 220	3 hours
Communication 291	3 hours
Communication Electives	<u>6 hours</u>
Total	21 hours

2. For the minor in Mass Communication and Journalism:

Communication 151	3 hours
Communication 159	3 hours
Communication Electives	<u>12 hours</u> ¹
Total	18 hours

¹Must be selected from Communication courses that satisfy a Mass Communication and Journalism Concentration Requirement.

**CURRICULUM IN COMMUNICATION
LEADING TO THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS**

FIRST YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER	S.H.	SECOND SEMESTER	S.H.
†Communication 211	3	†Communication 159	3
English 101	3	English 102	3
†Communication 151 ⁵	3	Biological Science ¹	3
History 101 or 201 ⁶	3	Library Science 102	1
Kinesiology Lab	1	History 102 or 202 ⁶	3
Orientation 101	0-1	Kinesiology Lab	1
Communication 101	1		
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	14		14-15

SECOND YEAR

†Communication 215	3	†Communication 291	3
†Communication 453	3	English 230, 231 or 232	3
English 230, 231 or 232	3	Foreign Language 102 ²	3
Foreign Language 101 ²	3	Mathematics 241	3
Mathematics 160.....	3	Thea 131, Mus 151, Art 105 or Art 106.....	3
		Communication 198	1
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	15		16

THIRD YEAR

†Concentration Requirement	3	†Concentration Requirement	3
Foreign Language 201 ²	3	†Concentration Requirement	3
Social Science Elective ³	3	Foreign Language 202 ²	3
Elective	3	Social Science Elective ³	3
Elective	3	Physical Science ¹	3
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	15		15

FOURTH YEAR

Biological/Physical Science ¹	3	†Concentration Requirement	3
†Concentration Requirement	3	†Concentration Requirement	3
Humanities Elective ⁴	3	Thea 131, Mus 151, or Art 105 or Art 106	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Communication 498	1		
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	16		15

Total semester hours required

120-121

Orientation 101 is not required of transfer or readmitted Southeastern students with 30 hours or more.

¹A 6 hour sequence must be taken in Physical Science or Biological Science.

²Twelve semester hours in one foreign language (taken sequentially) are required.

³Selected from Anthropology, Economics, Geography (except 205), Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology.

⁴Selected from Foreign Language, History, Literature (English or Foreign Language), or Philosophy. (Sophomore level or above.)

⁵Satisfies the computer literacy requirement.

⁶Students must take 6 hours of Western Civilization or 6 hours of American History, not a mixture of both.

†All courses labeled with this symbol will be used to calculate the major grade point average which must be a minimum adjusted or degree 2.0.

CONCENTRATIONS

- I. Organizational and Communication Theory
- II. Mass Communication and Journalism
- III. Speech Communication

CONCENTRATION I: ORGANIZATIONAL AND COMMUNICATION THEORY

Core Requirements	21 hours
Communication 275, 350, 371, 375, 378, 410, 411, 417, 418, 463, or 475.....	12 hours
Communication 471	3 hours
Communication 413	3 hours
Total	39 hours

CONCENTRATION II: MASS COMMUNICATION AND JOURNALISM

Core Requirements	21 hours
Communication 256, 275, 321, 341, 357, 417, 449, or 460 ¹	6 hours
Communication 340, 344, 345, 350, 354, 359, 421, or 463	6 hours
Communication 220, 353, 360, 373, 401, 451, 456, 458, 459, or 461	6 hours
Total	39 hours

¹At least 3 hours must be at the 300-400 level.

CONCENTRATION III: SPEECH COMMUNICATION

Core Requirements	21 hours
Communication 113, 220, 275, 311, 350, 371, 375, 378, 410, 411, 413, 418, 463, 471, or 475	18 hours
Total	39 hours