

SAMPLE DEGREE PLAN

Bachelor of Science, Communication

This degree program requires a total of **120** credit hours (CH), including **38** credit hours of the lower-division (LD) UCA Core and **40** credit hours of upper-division (3000- and 4000-level) courses. This sample degree plan demonstrates how a first-time entering freshman with no college credit can earn the degree in eight semesters. The upper-division UCA Core must be met using major, minor, or general elective courses. For general and specific degree requirements, please see the *Undergraduate Bulletin* at <https://uca.edu/ubulletin>. Consult your academic advisor for appropriate substitutions and additional information.

This degree is offered as an eight-semester degree completion program. Eligible students who follow this degree plan and complete all general and specific degree requirements in the *Undergraduate Bulletin* of the year in which they were admitted will earn this degree in eight semesters. For eligibility requirements, see <https://uca.edu/ubulletin/degreplans/> for more information.

Year 1

Fall — Semester 1		Spring — Semester 2	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
WRTG 1310 Introduction to College Writing or Other approved Writing Foundation alternative	3	WRTG 1320 Academic Writing & Research or ENGL 1320 Interdisciplinary Writing & Research or Other approved Research and Writing alternative	3
COMM 1300 Principles of Communication	3	COMM 2308 Perspectives in Communication	3
LD UCA Core First Year Seminar or Other LD UCA Core Course	3	LD UCA Core First Year Seminar (if not taken) or Other LD UCA Core Course	3
MATH 1360 Quantitative Literacy	3	PRLS 2305 Introduction to Public Relations	3
LD UCA Core Course	3	Lower-Division UCA Core Lab Science	4
Total	15	Total	16

Year 2

Fall — Semester 3		Spring — Semester 4	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
COMM 2313 Introduction to Communication Research	3	COMM 3312 Strategic Message Design	3
Lower-Division UCA Core Course	3	COMM 3301 Organizational Communication	3
Lower-Division UCA Core Lab Science	4	Related Course Requirement	3-4
MCOM 1300 Media and Society or Other LD UCA Core Course	3	WRID 2325 Introduction to Rhetoric or Other LD UCA Core	3
Minor Course	3	General Elective	2-3
Total	16	Total	15

Year 3

Fall — Semester 5		Spring — Semester 6	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
COMM 3310 Advanced Public Speaking	3	COMM 3307 Interpersonal Communication	3
Elective BS Communication Course	3	Related Course Requirement	3-4
Minor Course	3	Minor Course	3
Minor Course	3	Minor Course	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	2-3
Total	15	Total	15

Year 4

Fall — Semester 7		Spring — Semester 8	
Courses	CH	Courses	CH
COMM 4315 Communication and Leadership	3	COMM 4130 Communication Practicum	1
WRID 4308 Writing for Change or PRLS 4305 PR Cases and Campaigns	3	COMM 4318 Crisis Communication	3
Minor Courses (if needed) and/or General Electives	9	Minor Courses (if needed) and/or General Electives	9
Total	15	Total	13

This sample degree plan has been approved by the School of Communication in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

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