## COMMUNICATION STUDIES - PUBLIC ADVOCACY TRACK

### Curriculum Requirements

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#### Advanced Writing and Communication Skills Requirement

Select one of the following:

- CIM 111 Web Lab
- JMM 106 Visual Design
- STC 102 Graphic Design for Strategic Communication

#### Public Advocacy Concentration Courses

- COS 211 Public Speaking
- COS 311 Advanced Oral Advocacy
- COS 472 Persuasion
- COS 304 Intercollegiate Debate Theory and Practice (Must complete 3 credit hours)
- COS 314 The Power of Dialogue
- COS 377 Argumentation And Critical Thinking

Select 3 elective credit hours in Communication Studies with prior approval of a Communication Studies advisor.

#### Other Required Courses

Students majoring in Communication Studies - Public Advocacy Concentration must complete the following courses:

- COS 351 Qualitative Research Methods
- COS 352 Critical Research In Communication
- COS 354 Organizing for Action
- COS 477 Capstone In Engaged Communication Studies

#### Additional Requirements

1. ENG 105 & ENG 106
2. MTH 113 or JMM 285 or STC 103
3. Arts and Humanities Cognate
4. STEM Cognate
5. Minor, Second Major and Electives

Total Credit Hours: 120

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1. School of Communication students are required to complete a minimum of a minor (inside or outside of the school) in addition to their Communication major to graduate. For an optional 2nd major, please see your advisor.

2. School of Communication students must complete 6 credits of English Composition unless exempt based on SAT/ACT score or AP/IB exam, 3-6 credits of Mathematics, University Cognates (http://www.miami.edu/cognates) and the Advanced Writing and Communication Skills Proficiency requirement.

### Upper Level Elective Requirement

36 credits at the 300 level or higher are required for graduation. These credits may be earned from your major, minor and/or second major, and electives.

### Suggested Plan of Study

#### Course

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#### Freshman Year

**Fall**

- COS 110 Communication Theory
- COS 112 Interpersonal Communication
- ENG 105 English Composition I
- MTH 113 Finite Mathematics
- Arts and Humanities Cognate

**Credit Hours**

**15**

**Spring**

- COS 210 Writing for Communication Studies
- COS 211 Public Speaking
- COM 250 Freedom of Expression and Communication Ethics
- ENG 106 English Composition II
- STEM Cognate

**Credit Hours**

**15**

#### Sophomore Year

**Fall**

- COS 311 Advanced Oral Advocacy
- Arts and Humanities Cognate
- STEM Cognate
- Minor or 2nd Major Course
- Elective

**Credit Hours**

**15**

**Spring**

Select one of the following:

- CIM 111 Web Lab
- JMM 106 Visual Design
- STC 102 Graphic Design for Strategic Communication

**Credit Hours**

**15**
## Junior Year

### Fall
- **COS 377**  Argumentation And Critical Thinking  3
- **COS 472**  Persuasion  3
- Minor or 2nd Major Course  3
- Minor or 2nd Major Course  3
- 300 Level Elective  3

**Credit Hours** 15

### Spring
- Select one of the following:  3
  - **COS 314**  The Power of Dialogue
  - **COS 316**  Small Group Communication
  - **COS 318**  Nonverbal Communication
  - **COS 336**  Political Communication
  - **COS 473**  Words that Shaped the World
  - **COS 474**  Presidential Debates
- Minor or 2nd Major Course  3
- Minor or 2nd Major Course  3
- 300 Level Elective  3
- Elective  3

**Credit Hours** 15

## Senior Year

### Fall
- **COS 351** or **352**  Qualitative Research Methods or Critical Research In Communication  3
- **COS 354**  Organizing for Action  3
- Minor or 2nd Major Course  3
- Minor or 2nd Major Course  3
- 300 Level Elective  3

**Credit Hours** 15

### Spring
- **COS 477**  Capstone In Engaged Communication Studies  3
- Minor or 2nd Major  3
- Minor or 2nd Major  3
- 300 Level Elective  3
- Elective  3

**Credit Hours** 15

**Total Credit Hours** 120