

Academic Roadmap ... **Communication Studies** ... Buffalo State (SUNY)

Here is a recommended semester-by-semester schedule for students in this major. It includes both courses required in the major and prerequisites to major courses. This is only a guide. Students should meet with their academic advisers to determine how best to satisfy degree requirements.

Students who begin college as Communication majors can expect to graduate within eight semesters if they wish. Students who transfer later into the department should expect a minimum of four semesters (identified below as fifth through eighth semesters) after they have completed the four core courses. These core courses are the only COM credits that may be transferred from a two-year school. The department will not waive prerequisites nor allow more than 9 credits of major courses in any given semester, nor can we guarantee class enrollment for students who register late.

Four-Year Student

First Semester	Second Semester
COM 100 Media Literacy or SPC 103 Intro to Human Communication	COM 210 Intro to Media Writing
SPC 205 Intro to Oral Communication	COM 215 Intro to Visual Communication
BSC 101 Foundations of Inquiry	CWP 102 College Writing 2
CWP 101 College Writing 1	

Third Semester	Fourth Semester
COM / SPC Adv Visual/Oral/written Comm (category)	COM / SPC Adv Visual/Oral/written Comm (category)
	COM / SPC Communication Elective 1

Fifth Semester	Sixth Semester
COM / SPC Adv Visual/Oral/written Comm (category)	COM / SPC Theory-Criticism 1 (category)
COM / SPC Communication Elective 2	COM / SPC Communication Elective 3

Seventh Semester	Eighth Semester
COM / SPC Theory-Criticism 2 (category)	COM 450 Communication & Society
COM / SPC Communication Elective 4	

Transfer Student

Departmental Core Courses (Transfer or Preparatory Semesters)
COM 100 Media Literacy
SPC 205 Intro to Oral Communication
COM 210 Intro to Media Writing
COM 215 Intro to Visual Communication
BSC 101 Foundations of Inquiry
CWP 101 College Writing 1
CWP 102 College Writing 2

Fifth Semester	Sixth Semester
COM / SPC Adv Visual/Oral/written Comm (category)	COM / SPC Adv Visual/Oral/written Comm (category)
COM / SPC Adv Visual/Oral/written Comm (category)	COM / SPC Theory-Criticism 1 (category)
COM / SPC Communication Elective 1	COM / SPC Communication Elective 2

Seventh Semester	Eighth Semester
COM / SPC Theory-Criticism 2 (category)	COM / SPC Communication Elective 4
COM / SPC Communication Elective 3	COM 450 Communication & Society