

University of Indianapolis – *Shaheen College of Arts & Sciences*
2025-2026 Curriculum Guide for Communication Majors (COMM)
Bachelor of Arts or Science

Communication Major (46 hours)

Core Courses (21 credits required)

- **COMM 101** Computer Applications in Comm (3)
- **COMM 240** Communication Research Methods (3)
- **COMM 242** Media & Society (3)
- **COMM 244** Communication Theory (3)
- **COMM 440** Communication Law (3)
- **COMM 441** Senior Project (3)
- One upper level communication studies course

Experiential Courses (Must take at least one experiential course in your track.)

- **COMM 110** Experiential Radio (1)
- **COMM 111** Experiential Television (1)
- **COMM 120** Experiential Journalism (1)
- **COMM 130** Speech Team (1)
- **COMM 140** Experiential Public Relations (1)
- **COMM 160** Experiential Sports Communication (1)
- **THE 170** Experiential Theatre (1)

ELECTIVES: Take THREE (3) of the following courses. Two of the three courses must be at the 300- or 400-level. Once a specified track requirement is fulfilled, other courses that fulfill the same requirement may be taken as electives.

- **COMM 223** Photojournalism (3)
- **THE 226** Techniques in Theatre Design (3)
- **COMM 316** Documentary (3)
- **COMM 317** Podcasting (3)
- **COMM 341** ST: Topics in Communication (3)
- **THE 354** Applied Theatre (3)
- **COMM 431** Gender and Communication (3)

Major Areas/Tracks (Choose one of the following):

Communication Studies Track [CMST]

Choose four (4) of the following:

- **COMM 331** Interpersonal Communication (3)
- **COMM 332** Argumentation and Debate (3)
- **COMM 333** Intercultural Communication (3)
- **COMM 340** Persuasion (3)
- **COMM 432** Public Address and Criticism (3)
- **THE 241** Dramaturgy/Play Analysis (3)

Media Track [MEDA]

Take all of the following:

- **COMM 109** Foundations of Media Production (3)
- **COMM 326** Media Writing (3)
- **COMM 353** Video Editing and Audio Production (3)

Take ONE (1) of the following:

- **COMM 236** On-Air Talent (3)
- **COMM 325** Mass Media Ethics (3)
- **COMM 352** Digital Storytelling (3)
- **COMM 420** Media Management & Sales (3)
- **THE 356** Directing for Stage & Screen (3)
- **THE 370** Acting (3)

Journalism Track [JOUR]

One of the following:

- **COMM 221** Copy Editing (3)
- **COMM 222** Publication Design (3)

Take:

- **COMM 326** Media Writing (3)

Take ONE (1) of the following:

- **COMM 352** Digital Storytelling (3)
- **COMM 421** Investigative Journalism (3)

Take ONE (1) of the following:

- **THE 241** Dramaturgy/Play Analysis (3)
- **COMM 316** Documentary (3)
- **COMM 325** Mass Media Ethics (3)
- **COMM 413** Political Communication (3)
- **COMM 420** Media Management & Sales (3)

Public Relations Track [PR]

Take the following:

- **COMM 321** PR Principles & Ethics (3)
- **COMM 322** PR Writing (3)
- **COMM 324** PR Campaign and Case Studies (3)

Take ONE (1) of the following:

- **COMM 109** Foundations of Media Production (3)
- **COMM 222** Publication Design (3)
- **THE 241** Dramaturgy/Play Analysis (3)
- **COMM 325** Mass Media Ethics (3)
- **THE 370** Acting (3)

Theatre Track [CTHE]

Take all of the following:

- **THE 121** Theatre Design (3)
- **THE 241** Dramaturgy/Play Analysis (3)
- **THE 356** Directing for Stage & Screen (3)
- **THE 370** Acting (3)

Sports Communication Track [SPCM]

Take all of the following:

- **COMM 109** Foundations of Media Production (3)
- **COMM 321** PR Principles & Ethics (3)
- **COMM 326** Media Writing (3)

Take ONE (1) of the following:

- **COMM 315** Sports Media Production (3)
- **COMM 344** Sports & Public Relations (3)

Notes

- A grade C- (1.7 on a 4.0 scale) or higher is required in all courses applying toward the Communication major.
- Students are encouraged to complete a Communication Internship (COMM 442, 2-8 hours). The internship may not count toward the hours needed for the communication major, but the hours will count toward total hours needed for a bachelor's degree.
- The Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degree requires a minimum of 120 hours.
- See the General Education Core Guide for additional course requirements.
- A student may complete more than one major as long as each major has at least 24 discrete hours (Please see the Academic Catalog for additional details).

If you have any questions about the Communication major and its requirements, contact a faculty advisor from the Communication Department or your academic advisor. Courses and requirements sometimes change so keep in contact with your advisor.