

COMMUNICATION MAJOR WITH AN INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION CONCENTRATION

The *Communication Major with an Interpersonal Communication concentration* explores how meaning develops in messages within personal, social, and institutional relationships, as well as how patterns of human communication behavior contribute to Christian community.

Requirements

Requirements for the major are 32 hours: 14 hours in the Communication Core, 16 hours in a Concentration, and 2 elective hours of any Communication course. The Core consists of 4 courses in performance, theory, research, and a senior capstone (in which each student submits a portfolio and has a senior assessment interview). These four core courses should be completed in sequence.

To complement core courses, students select a concentration in Interpersonal Communication, Media Studies, Rhetoric and Culture, or Theater. Within each concentration, there are requirements and electives with course work progressing from introductory to advanced levels of study.

General Education Requirement. The following courses fulfill the oral communication competency requirement:

Code	Title	Credits
COMM 101	Public Speaking	2
COMM 201	Fundamentals of Oral Communication (Communication majors and minors only)	4
COMM 252	Argumentation and Debate	4

This requirement should be completed by the end of the sophomore year.

Along with specific requirements for any major, all students in the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degree programs must meet all general education (<https://catalog.wheaton.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-information/academic-requirements-general-education/>) and graduation requirements (<https://catalog.wheaton.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-information/academic-requirements-general-education/#text>) under a single catalog.

Code	Title	Credits
Communication Core		14
COMM 201	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	4
COMM 301	Communication Theory	4
COMM 311	Human Communication Research	4
COMM 494	Senior Seminar	2
Concentration Courses (Required and Elective) ¹		16
Required Concentration Courses		6-8
COMM 221	Interpersonal Communication	
COMM 424	Special Topics in Interpersonal Communication	
Elective Concentration Courses		8-10
COMM 223	Communication and Gender	
COMM 261	Strategic Communication	

COMM 324	Communication and Diversity	
COMM 362	Group Dynamics	
COMM 363	Persuasion	
COMM 367	Reconciliation & Conflict Resolution	
COMM 424	Special Topics in Interpersonal Communication (Course may be repeated for separate topics.)	
COMM 461	Organizational Communication	
COMM 495	Independent Study	
COMM 496	Internship	
Communication Elective		2
Select 2 or more credits from any offered COMM course		
Total Credits		32

¹ Required and Elective Concentration courses must equal a total of 16 credits.