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Communication Studies

(Formerly Speech Communications)

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Please visit the Counseling Center to apply for degrees and for academic planning assistance.

Certificate of Achievement Requirements

Completion of all major courses with a "C" grade or higher, or with a "Pass" if the course was taken on a Pass/No Pass (P/NP) basis and the "Pass" is equal to a "C" grade or higher.

Note: A maximum of six (6) quarter units may be transferred from other academic institutions.

A.A./A.S. Degree Requirements

1. Completion of all General Education (GE) requirements (32-43 quarter units) for the A.A./A.S. degree. GE units must be completed with a minimum 2.0 GPA ("C" average).
2. Completion of all major courses with a "C" grade or higher, or with a "Pass" if the course was taken on a Pass/No Pass (P/NP) basis and the "Pass" is equal to a "C" grade or higher. Major courses can also be used to satisfy GE requirements (except for Liberal Arts degrees).

Note: A maximum of 22 quarter units from other academic institutions may be applied toward the major.

3. Completion of a minimum of 90 degree-applicable quarter units (GE and major units included). All De Anza courses must be completed with a minimum 2.0 GPA ("C" average). All De Anza courses combined with courses transferred from other academic institutions must be completed with a minimum 2.0 GPA ("C" average).

Note: A minimum of 24 quarter units must be earned at De Anza College.

Communication Studies

Certificate of Achievement

Students earning the communication studies certificate of achievement learn the fundamentals of the discipline, which includes public speaking, group communication, interpersonal communication, organizational communication, mass communication, argumentation and critical thinking. This program helps students communicate effectively in their academic and work environments.

Student Learning Outcomes - upon completion, students will be able to:

- design and relate messages clearly and confidently.
- use a range of speaking, listening and collaboration skills.
- think and engage critically in a wide range of discourse.
- use communication for academic and career advancement.

1. Meet the requirements for this certificate level.
2. Complete the following.

Complete one (1) course:

- COMM 1 Public Speaking (5)
or COMM 1H Public Speaking - HONORS (5)
COMM 10 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (5)
or COMM 10H Fundamentals of Oral
Communication - HONORS (5)

5

Complete one (1) course:

- COMM 8 Argumentation and Critical Inquiry in Oral Communication (5)
or COMM 8H Argumentation and Critical Inquiry in Oral Communication - HONORS (5)
COMM 9* Argumentation: Analysis of Oral and Written Communication (5)
COMM 15 Critical Decision-Making in Groups (5)
or COMM 15H Critical Decision-Making in Groups - HONORS (5)

5

Complete a minimum of 10 units (not already taken):

10

- COMM 1 Public Speaking (5)
or COMM 1H Public Speaking - HONORS (5)
COMM 7 Intercultural Communication (4)
also listed as ICS 7
or COMM 7H Intercultural Communication - HONORS (4)
also listed as ICS 7H
COMM 8 Argumentation and Critical Inquiry in Oral Communication (5)
or COMM 8H Argumentation and Critical Inquiry in Oral Communication - HONORS (5)
COMM 9* Argumentation: Analysis of Oral and Written Communication (5)
COMM 10 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (5)
or COMM 10H Fundamentals of Oral
Communication - HONORS (5)
COMM 15 Critical Decision-Making in Groups (5)
or COMM 15H Critical Decision-Making in
Groups - HONORS (5)
COMM 16* Interpersonal Communication (5)
or COMM 16H* Interpersonal Communication - HONORS (5)
COMM 70* Effective Organizational Communication (5)
or COMM 70H* Effective Organizational
Communication - HONORS (5)
COMM 77 series COMM 77W, 77X, 77Y, 77Z
Special Individual Projects in
Speech Communication (1-4)
COMM 78 series COMM 78W, 78X, 78Y, 78Z
Special Topics in Speech Communication (1-4)
JOUR 2 Mass Communication and Its
Impact on Society (4)
Total Units Required20

Note: Up to four (4) units from COMM 77 and 78 series courses may apply.

*High demand courses with limited quarterly offerings. Students should plan accordingly to ensure timely program completion.

Communication Studies

A.A. Degree

De Anza's A.A. degree in Communication Studies provides a foundational understanding of the discipline and a breadth of coursework that can transfer toward a bachelor's degree in Communication Studies. Students develop knowledge and skills in expressing ideas verbally and non-verbally; learn to interpret, advocate and critically debate ideas; work productively in teams and groups; examine the role of culture in communication; and demonstrate the communication skills necessary to engage in personal, professional, civic and social relationships.

In addition to core coursework, students are required to declare a specialty area that allows them to make interdisciplinary connections and explore specific areas of interest. Contact a full-time Communication Studies instructor to create a specialty area of study (minimum 12 units) at least two quarters prior to completing your course of study. Your specialty area description with signed approval from the Communication Studies Department must accompany your application for the A.A. degree.

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- use a range of speaking, listening and collaboration skills.
- think and engage critically in a wide range of discourse.
- use communication for academic and career advancement.

1. Meet the A.A./A.S. degree requirements.
2. Complete the following.

Complete one (1) course: **5**
 COMM 1 Public Speaking (5)
 or COMM 1H Public Speaking - HONORS (5)
 COMM 10 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (5)
 or COMM 10H Fundamentals of Oral
 Communication - HONORS (5)

Complete one (1) course: **5**
 COMM 8 Argumentation and Critical Inquiry in
 Oral Communication (5)
 or COMM 8H Argumentation and Critical Inquiry in
 Oral Communication - HONORS (5)
 COMM 9* Argumentation: Analysis of Oral and
 Written Communication (5)

Complete five (5) courses:

COMM 7	Intercultural Communication	4
	<i>also listed as ICS 7</i>	
or COMM 7H	Intercultural Communication - HONORS	4
	<i>also listed as ICS 7H</i>	
COMM 15	Critical Decision-Making in Groups	5
or COMM 15H	Critical Decision-Making in Groups - HONORS	5
COMM 16*	Interpersonal Communication	5
or COMM 16H*	Interpersonal Communication - HONORS	5
COMM 70*	Effective Organizational Communication	5
or COMM 70H*	Effective Organizational Communication - HONORS	5
JOUR 2	Mass Communication and Its Impact on Society	4

Specialty Area Coursework: **12**

Major	Communication Studies	45
GE	General Education (32-43 units)	
Electives	Elective courses required when major units plus GE units total is less than 90	
Total Units Required		90

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