

South Central College Program Design

AA 2455/3555 Communication Studies Transfer Pathway

Program Information

Instructional Level Associate Degree

Career Cluster Liberal Arts & Sciences

Description

The Communication Studies Transfer Pathway AA offers students a powerful option: the opportunity to complete an Associate of Arts degree with course credits that directly transfer to designated Communication Studies bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State universities.* The curriculum has been specifically designed so that students completing this pathway degree and transferring to one of the seven Minnesota State universities enter the university with junior-year status. All courses in the Transfer Pathway associate degree will directly transfer and apply to the designated bachelor's degree programs in a related field. *Universities within the Minnesota State system include Bemidji State University; Metropolitan State University; Minnesota State University; Moorhead; Southwest Minnesota State University; St. Cloud State University; and Winona State University.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- 1 Deliver compelling presentations for a variety of audiences
- 2 Communicate interpersonally to successfully initiate and maintain a variety of relationships
- 3 Demonstrate skills in leadership and collaboration within small groups
- 4 Apply creative and critical thinking to solve problems and communicate memorable messages
- 5 Adapt communication for intercultural effectiveness

Program Configurations

Fall 2020 Start

Credits

| Elective | 22 |
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| Liberal Arts & Sciences | 42 |
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Total Credits 64

Fall 1, Semester 1

| Course # Course Title Cre | edits Function |
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| FYE 100 | First Year Experience | 1 | Elective |
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| COMM 110 | Public Speaking | 3 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| ENGL 100 | English Composition | 4 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 5 (1 of 2 separate disciplnes) | 4 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 6 (1 of 2 separate discplines) | 3 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |

Spring 1, Semester 2

| Course # | Course Title | Credits | Function |
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| COMM 120 | Small Group Communication | 3 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| Arts & Sciences | Health & Human Performance (Required, non-MnTC) | 1 | Elective |
| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 3 (1 of 2 separate disciplines) | 4 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 4 | 4 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| CRTK 100 | Critical Thinking (Recommended) or other Arts & Science or Technical Elective | 3 | Elective |
| Choice of Elective | Arts & Science or Technical Elective | 3 | Elective |

Fall 1, Semester 3

| Course # | Course Title | Credits | Function |
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| COMM 140 | Interpersonal Communication | 3 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 6 (2 of 2 separate disciplines) | 3 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 10 | 3 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| Choice of Elective | Arts & Sciences or Technical Elective | 6 | Elective |
| COMM 150 | Introduction to Mass Communication (Recommended) or other Arts & Science elective | 4 | Elective |

Spring 2, Semester 4

| Course # | Course Title | Credits | Function |
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| COMM 130 | Intercultural Communication | 3 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
| CAP 250 | Associate of Arts Capstone Class | 1 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |

| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 3 (2 of 2 separate disciplines) | 4 | Liberal Arts & Sciences |
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| Arts & Sciences | Course to satisfy goal area 5 (2 of 2 separate disciplines) | 4 | |
| ENGL 240 | Technical Writing (Recommended) or other Arts & Science elective | 4 | Elective |

Program Course List

| Number | Title | Credits | Pre/Corequisites |
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| CAP 250 | Associate of Arts Capstone Class | 1 | Unless instructor grants special permission, students must be in their last semester of the Associate of Arts program at SCC. |
| COMM 110 | Public Speaking | 3 | Score of 86 on the Sentence Skills portion of the Accuplacer or ENGL 0090 with a C or higher. |
| COMM 120 | Small Group Communication | 3 | Completion of READ 0090 with a grade of "C" or higher or a score of 78 or above in reading comprehension on the Accuplacer. |
| COMM 130 | Intercultural Communication | 3 | |
| COMM 140 | Interpersonal Communication | 3 | Accuplacer Reading Score of 78 or above or completion of READ 0090 |
| FYE 100 | First Year Experience | 1 | None |