REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT MINORS

William Paterson University offers eight communication minors. These minors are open to any undergraduate student. The requirements are listed below. (Note: some courses may have prereqs)

FILM STUDIES
(18 credits)

Required Courses
(9 credits)
COMM 234 Film as a Medium (A2)
COMM 2350 Film as Cross-cultural Communication (A6)
COMM 3340 Documentary and Non-fiction Film

Elective Courses
(9 credits - Select three courses from the list below)
COMM 2330 Sound as a Medium
COMM 2360 Film and Civic Engagement (A5)
COMM 3200 Media Criticism
COMM 3230 Film Aesthetics and Criticism
COMM 3290 Documentary Film
COMM 3300 Film Genre: National and International Perspectives
COMM 3350 Italian and Italian-American Cinema
COMM 3370 French Cinema
COMM 3380 Francophone Cinema
COMM 3390 Japanese History through Film
COMM 3400 Intercultural Communication (A6)
COMM 3410 Screenwriting (W1)
COMM 3430 Film Genre: National and International Perspectives
COMM 3440 Organizational Communication (W1)
COMM 3450 Voice and Speech Production (choose one)
COMM 3460 Oral Interpretation
COMM 3470 Voice and Speech Production (choose one)
COMM 3480 Organizational Communication (W1)
COMM 3490 Voice and Speech Production (choose one)
COMM 3500 Media Criticism
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COMM 3970 Media Criticism
COMM 3980 Media Criticism
COMM 3990 Media Criticism

An approved film course from another department

INTERNATIONAL CINEMA
(18 credits)

Required Courses
(6 credits)
COMM 2340 Film as Medium (A2)
COMM 2350 Film as Cross-cultural Communication (A6)

Elective Courses
(12 Credits – Select four courses from the list below)
ARTH 3330 History of Film (Cross-listed as COMM 3430)
ASN 3070 Modern Indian Literature & Film (Cross-listed as HNDI 3070)
CHIN 3750 Contemporary Chinese Cinema
COMM 2360 Film and Civic Engagement (A5)
COMM 3230 Film Aesthetics and Criticism
COMM 4330 Film Genre: National and International Perspectives
COMM 4350 Italian and Italian-American Cinema
FR 3700 French Cinema
FR 3710 Francophone Cinema
HIST 3640 Japanese History through Cinema
JPAN 3020 Japanese Film and Literature
SPAN 3710 Nation, Exile and Social Marginalization in the Cinema of Spain
SPAN 3720 Cinema of Spain
SPAN 3740 Changing Latin American Cinema (Cross-listed as LAS 3740)
SPAN 4870 Seminar on Hispanic Cinema
URBN 3790 Urban Spaces in Cinema
WS 3400 Media Representation of Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals, and Transgender

COMMUNICATION STUDIES
(18 credits)

Required Courses
(9 credits)
COMM 2630 Public Speaking (A2)
COMM 3600 Interpersonal Communication
COMM 4630 Seminar in Group & Team Development (T1)

Suggested Course
COMM 3400 Intercultural Communication (A6)

Elective Courses
(9 credits – Select three courses from the list below)
COMM 2310 Organizational Communication (W1)
COMM 2600 Oral Interpretation –OR- COMM 2640 Voice and Speech Production (choose one)
COMM 2620 Communicating Food (A4)
COMM 2650 Foundations of Language
COMM 3610 Successful Business and Professional Communication
COMM 3650 Persuasion & Social Change
COMM 4200 Nonverbal Communication
COMM 4640 Technology and Society (T1)
Other courses by departmental approval
### JOURNALISM
(18 Credits)

**Required Courses**
(9 credits)
- COMM 2100 Media Writing (*WI*)
- COMM 2500 Journalism (*WI*)
- COMM 4590 Journalism Field Studies

**Elective Courses**
(9 credits – choose one course from the list below)
- COMM 2220 Media Ethics and Law
- COMM 2230 Press & the Presidency
- COMM 2240 International Media
- COMM 2255 Publication & Design
- COMM 3490 Radio News
- COMM 3510 Advanced Reporting
- COMM 3540 Sports Writing
- COMM 4510 Freelance Writing
- COMM 4540 News Editing
- POL 2750 Politics & the Media

### MEDIA STUDIES
(18 credits)

**Required Courses**
(15 credits)
- COMM 1200 Media & Society
- COMM 2200 Radio & Television Industries
- COMM 2220 Media Law & Ethics
- COMM 3200 Media Criticism
- COMM 3280 Media History

**Elective Courses**
(3 credits – choose one course from the list below)
- COMM 2100 Media Writing (*WI*)
- COMM 2240 International Media
- COMM 2340 Film as a Medium (*A2*)
- COMM 3380 Media in Asia
- Other courses by departmental approval

### PUBLIC RELATIONS
(18 credits)

**Required Courses**
(12 credits)
- COMM 2100 Media Writing (*WI*)
- COMM 3480 Introduction to Public Relations (*WI*)
- COMM 4480 Public Relations Workshop (*WI*)
- COMM 4490 Public Relations Case Studies (*WI*)

**Elective Courses**
(6 credits – select two courses from the list below)
- COMM 2220 Media Law & Ethics
- COMM 2500 Journalism (*WI*)
- COMM 2630 Public Speaking (*A2*)
- COMM 2640 Voice & Speech Production
- COMM 3580 Digital & Social Media Comm (*TI*)
- COMM 3610 Successful Business & Professional Communication
- COMM 4470 Strategic Writing (*WI/TI*)
- COMM 4660 Corp. Social Responsibility (*A5*)
- Other courses by departmental approval
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**THEATRE & COMEDY**
(18 credits)

**Required Courses**
(9 credits)
COMM 1020 Acting I
COMM 2800 Theatre Workshop
COMM 2760 Sketch Comedy Writing & Performing

**Elective Courses**
(9 credits – Select three courses from the list below)
COMM 2170 Scenery Construction & Design
COMM 2600 Oral Interpretation
COMM 2640 Voice & Speech Production
COMM 2700 Acting II
COMM 2740 Acting for Camera
COMM 2730 Fundamentals of Comedy Writing & Performing: Stand-up I
COMM 2780 Comedy Improv in Performance
COMM 2830 Playscripts
COMM 2850 Musical Theatre
COMM 3730 Fundamentals of Comedy Writing & Performing: Stand-up II
COMM 3760 Comedy Writing for Prime Time Television: Situation Comedy
COMM 3770 Directing for Stage & Media
COMM 4560 Playwriting (WI)

Other courses by department approval

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**VISUAL COMMUNICATION**
(18 credits)

**Required Courses**
(9 credits)
ARTS 2500 Introduction to Graphic Design
ARTS 2510 Typography: Form & Application
ARTS 2820 Introduction to Electronic Publishing

**Elective Courses**
(9 credits – select three courses from the list below)
ARTS 3500 Print & Publication
ARTS 3510 Packaging & Advertising Design
ARTS 3520 Advanced Typography
ARTS 3820 Advanced Electronic Publishing
ARTS 3830 Web Design I
ARTS 4500 Advanced Graphic Design
ARTS 4830 Interactive Online Media

**Note:** Students are not required to declare a minor before taking courses in the program. However, unless declared, minor will not show up on diploma as a minor.

WI – Writing Intensive Course
TI – Technology Intensive Course
A# - Meets UCC Area Course Requirement