









# 2024 - 2025 Major Map

## Communication, BA

School/College: New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences  
 ASCOMMBA

Term 1 0 - 16 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 COM 100: Introduction to Human Communication (SOBE OR SB)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASU 101 or college-specific First-Year Seminar required of all first-year students. NEW 101 satisfies this requirement.</li> <li>IAS 300 (three credit hours) is required for all transfer students in place of NEW 101.</li> <li>Select your <a href="#">Career Interest Community</a> and play <a href="#">me3@ASU</a>.</li> <li>Activate your <a href="#">Handshake</a> account and build out your profile.</li> </ul>
ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	
NEW 101: The ASU New College Experience OR IAS 300: Career Strategies and Personal Resilience (L or SB)	1-3		
Humanities, Arts and Design (HUAD)	3		
Mathematics (MATH) (MAT 142 recommended)	3	C	
Elective	3		
Term hours subtotal:	16-18		



Term 2 16 - 32 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 COM 225: Public Speaking (CIVI OR L)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a first draft <a href="#">resume</a>.</li> <li>Join a <a href="#">student club</a> or professional organization.</li> <li>Secure a <a href="#">part-time job</a> or <a href="#">volunteer experience</a>.</li> </ul>
ENG 101 or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107 or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	
Humanities, Arts and Design (HUAD)	3		
Scientific Thinking in Natural Sciences (SCIT)	4		
Elective	3		
 Complete ENG 101 OR ENG 105 OR ENG 107 course(s).			
Term hours subtotal:	16		



Term 3 32 - 48 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 COM 207: Introduction to Communication Inquiry	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop your <a href="#">research skills</a>.</li> <li>Develop your <a href="#">professional skills</a>.</li> <li>Interested in pre-professional pathways? Explore our <a href="#">pre-health</a> and <a href="#">pre-law</a> websites.</li> </ul>
 COM 230: Small Group Communication (SOBE OR SB) OR COM 259: Communication in Business and the Professions (CIVI)	3	C	
Global Communities, Societies and Individuals (GCSI)	3		
Scientific Thinking in Natural Sciences (SCIT)	4		



 Complete First-Year Composition requirement.

 Complete Mathematics (MATH) requirement.

Term hours subtotal: 16

Term 4 48 - 63 Credit Hours <b>Critical course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 COM 308: Advanced Research Methods in Communication (L) OR COM 309: Rhetorical, Interpretive, and Critical Methods in Communication	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore an <a href="#">internship</a>, an <a href="#">IGLE international experience</a>, or <a href="#">ASU Study Abroad</a>.</li> </ul>
Quantitative Reasoning (QTRS)	3		
Sustainability (SUST)	3		
<i>Complete 2 courses:</i> Elective	6		
Term hours subtotal:	15		


Term 5 63 - 78 Credit Hours <b>Necessary course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 COM 308: Advanced Research Methods in Communication (L) OR COM 309: Rhetorical, Interpretive, and Critical Methods in Communication	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communication Focus Area Electives: Complete five courses from within one recommended focus area or from multiple areas to meet the 15 credit hour requirement; at least 12 credit hours must be upper division.</li> <li>A maximum of six credit hours of COM Experiential Electives may be applied to major requirements (Focus Area Electives and/or Additional COM Electives): COM 314; COM 382; COM 383; COM 483; COM 484; COM 485; COM 498; or COM 499. COM 492 and/or COM 493 may apply to the Communication Focus Area Electives. Other COM courses may apply with advisor approval, including COM 294/394/494 Topics.</li> <li>Thinking about graduate school? Consider registering for a grad school <a href="#">test prep course</a> and explore <a href="#">accelerated master's degrees</a>.</li> <li>Develop your <a href="#">professional online presence</a>.</li> </ul>
Communication Focus Area Elective	3	C	
<i>Complete 2 courses:</i> Upper Division Elective	6-3		
Elective	3		
Term hours subtotal:	15-12		


Term 6 78 - 93 Credit Hours <b>Necessary course signified by</b> 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 <i>Complete 2 courses:</i> Upper Division Communication Focus Area Elective	6	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communication Focus Area Electives: Complete five courses from within one recommended focus area or from multiple areas to meet the 15 credit hour</li> </ul>
Upper Division Global and Civic Engagement Requirement: satisfied through completion of 6 credits of upper-division	3	C	

courses with a Global Communities, Societies and Individuals (GCSI) or Governance and Civic Engagement (CIV) designation, in addition to the courses used to meet the university General Studies requirements; or completion of 3 credits from an ASU-approved Global Education program. Adjustment to upper-division and elective hours is required if a lower-division Global Education course is used.


COM Upper Division Elective	3	C
American Institutions (AMIT)	3	
Term hours subtotal:	15	


- requirement, at least 12 credit hours of which must be upper division.
- A maximum of six credit hours of COM Experiential Electives may be applied to major requirements (Focus Area Electives and/or Additional COM Electives): COM 314; COM 382; COM 383; COM 483; COM 484; COM 485; COM 498; COM 499. COM 492 and/or COM 493 may apply to the Communication Focus Area Electives. Other COM courses may apply with advisor approval, including COM 294/394/494 Topics.
- Use Handshake to research [employment opportunities](#).
- Complete an in person or virtual [practice interview](#).

<b>Term 7 93 - 108 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by</b> 	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Minimum Grade</b>	<b>Notes</b>
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 COM Upper Division Elective	3	C
Upper Division Communication Focus Area Elective	3	C
Upper Division Global and Civic Engagement Requirement: satisfied through completion of 6 credits of upper-division courses with a Global Communities, Societies and Individuals (GCSI) or Governance and Civic Engagement (CIV) designation, in addition to the courses used to meet the university General Studies requirements; or completion of 3 credits from an ASU-approved Global Education program. Adjustment to upper-division and elective hours is required if a lower-division Global Education course is used.	3	C
Upper Division Elective	3	
Elective	3	
Term hours subtotal:	15	

- Communication Focus Area Electives: Complete five courses from within one recommended focus area or from multiple areas to meet the 15 credit hour requirement; at least 12 credit hours must be upper division.
- A maximum of six credit hours of COM Experiential Electives may be applied to major requirements (Focus Area Electives and/or Additional COM Electives): COM 314; COM 382; COM 383; COM 483; COM 484; COM 485; COM 498; or COM 499. COM 492 and/or COM 493 may apply to the Communication Focus Area Electives. Other COM courses may apply with advisor approval, including COM 294/394/494 Topics.
- Gather [professional references](#).

<b>Term 8 108 - 120 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by</b> 	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Minimum Grade</b>	<b>Notes</b>
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 COM Upper Division Elective	3	C
Upper Division Communication Focus Area Elective	3	C
Upper Division Elective OR COM 484: Internship	3	
Elective	3	
Term hours subtotal:	12	

- Communication Focus Area Electives: Complete five courses from within one recommended focus area or from multiple areas to meet the 15 credit hour requirement; at least 12 credit hours must be upper division.
- A maximum of six credit hours of COM Experiential Electives may be applied to major requirements (Focus Area Electives and/or Additional COM Electives): COM 314; COM 382; COM 383; COM 483; COM 484; COM 485; COM 498; or COM 499. COM 492 and/or COM 493 may apply to the Communication Focus Area

Electives. Other COM courses may apply with advisor approval, including COM 294/394/494 Topics.

- Apply for full-time career opportunities.

Hide Course List(s)/Track Group(s)

Communication Focus Area: Communication, Community, and Culture	Communication Focus Area: Strategic and Public Interest Communication	Communication Focus Area: Mediated Communication
COM 110: Elements of Interpersonal Communication (SOBE OR SB)	COM 124: Media and Culture (HUAD OR C)	COM 124: Media and Culture (HUAD OR C)
COM 235: Disability, Justice and Advocacy (CIVI OR C)	COM 222: Argumentation (CIVI OR L)	COM 302: Representations and Self-Representations of Veterans in the Media and the Arts (HUAD OR H & C)
COM 230: Small Group Communication (SOBE OR SB)	COM 259: Communication in Business and the Professions (CIVI)	COM 316: Gender and Communication (SOBE OR SB & C)
COM 250: Communication and the Workplace (SOBE OR SB)	COM 294: Introduction to Strategic Communication	COM 324: Rhetoric and Media Criticism
COM 263: Elements of Intercultural Communication (GCSI OR SB & C & G)	COM 319: Persuasion and Social Influence (CIVI OR SB)	COM 363: Latinxs and the Media (SOBE OR C)
COM 277: Sport Communication	COM 320: Communication and Consumerism (SB)	COM 416: Gender and Race in the Media
COM 302: Representations and Self-Representations of Veterans in the Media and the Arts (HUAD OR H & C)	COM 321: Rhetorical Theory and Research ((L or HU) & H)	COM 424: Television Studies and Criticism
COM 310: Communication in Interpersonal Relationships (SOBE OR SB)	COM 325: Advanced Public Speaking and Presentations (CIVI OR L)	COM 427: Crime and Media
COM 312: Communication, Conflict, and Negotiation (CIVI)	COM 328: Communicating Science	COM 429: Visual Communication and Semiotics
COM 314: Inner-City Families: The Cycle of Poverty	COM 342: Oral History and Storytelling	COM 455: Surveillance and Popular Culture
COM 316: Gender and Communication (SOBE OR SB & C)	COM 353: Professional Communication	COM 457: New Media
COM 317: Nonverbal Communication (SOBE OR SB)	COM 414: Crisis Communication	COM 458: Media and Everyday Life
COM 321: Rhetorical Theory and Research ((L or HU) & H)	COM 415: Risk Communication	COM 459: Theory and Methods of Social Media Networks
COM 342: Oral History and Storytelling	COM 421: Rhetoric of Social Issues (HU)	COM 471: Global Media and Cultural Identity (GCSI OR G)
COM 371: Language, Culture, and Communication (GCSI OR SB & C & G)	COM 422: Advanced Argumentation (CIVI OR L)	COM 477: Sport, Culture, and Discourses
COM 400: Communication in Professions	COM 423: Facilitating Collaboration and Dialogue	
COM 410: Advanced Interpersonal Communication (SOBE OR SB)	COM 426: Political Communication (SB)	
COM 411: Communication in the Family (SOBE OR SB)	COM 453: Communication Training and Development	
COM 413: Resilient Relationships and Communities	COM 454: Rhetorical and Critical Approaches to Public Relations	
COM 417: Communication and Aging	COM 456: Political Communication Campaigns	
	COM 457: New Media	
	COM 482: Communication, Instruction and Training	

COM 421: Rhetoric of Social Issues (HU)

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COM 423: Facilitating Collaboration and Dialogue

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COM 427: Crime and Media

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COM 430: Leadership in Group Communication

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COM 432: Forgiveness and Reconciliation

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COM 450: Organizational Communication (SOBE OR SB)

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COM 451: Communication and Work Relationships

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COM 453: Communication Training and Development

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COM 463: Intercultural Communication in a Global Context (GCSI OR SB & G)

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COM 477: Sport, Culture, and Discourses

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- **Total Hours:** 120
- **Upper Division Hours:** 45 minimum
- [University Undergraduate Graduation Requirements](#)

**Notes:**

Mathematics Placement Assessment score determines placement in first mathematics course.

General Studies designations listed next to courses on the major map were valid for the 2024 - 2025 academic year. Please refer to the course catalog for current General Studies designations at time of class registration. General Studies credit is applied according to the designation the course carries at the time the class is taken.