



Academic Map Proposal

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Proposal Type	Academic Map
Is this existing or proposed program?	Existing
Full Program Name	Communication Studies BS
Award	BS
Is this existing or proposed emphasis?	No Emphasis
Emphasis	
Option	
Version Number	1
Version	Communication Studies--BS
Version Explanation	
programType	Standard Major
Minor Required	Yes
Minor Specific	
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Program Description	Communication Studies is the exploration of how people generate shared meaning through the use of verbal and nonverbal symbols. Communication Studies majors work to develop confidence and effectiveness in their public speaking, interpersonal, and small group communication skills. The focus is not on preparing students for a specific job, but rather helping students to develop interpersonal, organizational, intercultural, and public presentational skills which will enhance the quality of their lives across a variety of contexts (e.g., within the workplace, family, civic and social situations).
Admission Requirement	requirements are: - a minimum of 32 earned semester credit hours. - a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0. Contact the department for application procedures. In addition to the general requirements, a cumulative GPA of 2.2 must be maintained in the courses of the major. Waiver of CMST 102: Students who take CMST 100 and CMST 333 will have CMST 102 waived for the BS major in Communication Studies.
Advising	You are expected to meet regularly with your academic advisor from the Department of Communication Studies. To find out who your advisor is, you can contact 389-2213 or visit the main CMST office located in Armstrong Hall 230.
Program Notes	
Program Phone Number	(507) 389-2213
Program Website(URL)	https://www.mnsu.edu/cmst/

Fall Year 1

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
???	???	General Education Goal #1a: English Composition	3	complete this course as soon as possible
CMST	102	Public Speaking (General Education Goal #1b)	3	taking CMST 102 will also fulfill a core course requirement for the CMST major
???	???	General Education Goal #5: History/Social and Behavioral Science	3-4	students must take two courses in this goal area. courses must be in different departments.
???	???	General Education Goal #6: Humanities & the Arts	3	students must take two courses in this goal area. courses must be in different departments.
???	???	General Education Goal #3: Natural Science (course with a lab)	3	students must take two courses in this goal area. courses must be in different departments.

Fall Year 1 Notes

if you take two CMST courses this semester, then you need to avoid additional CMST courses to fulfill the General Education goals that remain; Writing Intensive you must take two writing intensive courses in order to graduate. *Regarding the diverse Cultures requirement: In addition, please remember that you need to take two (2) courses that are categorized as "Diverse Cultures" (either one course each from the Purple and Gold categories; or, two (2) courses from the Purple category). To help you meet this criteria, General Education Goal #5, &, and * include the majority of the Diverse Cultures courses you could look in these categories as you select your General Education courses to make sue you are also meeting the Diverse Cultures criteria at the same time.*

Spring Year 1

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
???	???	General Education Goal #4: Math/Logical Reasoning	3	pick from any course listed in this category
CMST	101W	Interpersonal Communication (General Education Goal #2: Critical Thinking)	4	taking CMST 101 will also fulfill a core course requirement for the CMST major as well as a writing intensive requirement
???	???	General Education Goal #3: Natural Science (course without a lab)	3	students must take two courses in this goal area. courses must be in different departments.
???	???	General Education Goal #6: Humanities & the Arts	3	students must take two courses in this goal area. courses must be in different departments.
???	???	General Education Goal #5: History/Social & Behavioral Science	3	students must take two courses in this goal area. courses must be in different departments.

Spring Year 1 Notes

Remember: you can only take up to 2 courses from the same department to complete your General Education requirements, so if you have taken two CMST courses to fulfill General Education requirements already, then you need to avoid additional CMST courses. *Regarding the diverse Cultures requirement: In addition, please remember that you need to take two (2) courses that are categorized as "Diverse Cultures" (either one course each from the Purple and Gold categories; or, two (2) courses from the Purple category). To help you meet this criteria, General Education Goal #5, &, and * include the majority of the Diverse Cultures courses you could look in these categories as you select your General Education courses to make sue you are also meeting the Diverse

Fall Year 2

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
CMST	203	Intercultural Communication (General Education Goal #7)	4	
???	???	General Education Goal #8: Global Perspectives	3-4	pick from any course listed in this category
???	???	General Education Goal #9 (Ethical and Civic Responsibility)	3-4	avoid CMST 300 for this category. can take later as a CMST elective.
???	???	General Education Goal #10 (People and the Environment)	3	pick from any course listed in this category
???	???	General Education Goal #11 (Performance and Participation)	2-3	avoid CMST 220 and 310 for this goal. can take later for elective credit in CMST.

Fall Year 2 Notes

Remember: You can only take up to 2 courses for the same department to complete your General Education requirements, so if you have taken two CMST courses to fulfill General Education requirements already, then you need to avoid additional CMST courses to fulfill the General Education goals that remain; Writing Intensive you must take two writing intensive courses in order to graduate. DON'T FORGET you could apply to the major at this point. *Regarding the diverse Cultures requirement: In addition, please remember that you need to take two (2) courses that are categorized as "Diverse Cultures" (either one course each from the Purple and Gold categories; or, two (2) courses from the Purple category). To help you meet this criteria, General Education Goal #5, &, and * include the majority of the Diverse Cultures courses you could look in these categories as you select your General Education courses to make sure you are also meeting the Diverse Cultures criteria at the same time.*

Spring Year 2

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
CMST	301	CMST: Approaches and Perspectives	4	
CMST	???	Communication Skills Foundation course (310, 312, or 333)	4	
???	???	Remaining General Education	3-4	any course left in general education.
???	???	remaining general education course or course in minor	3-4	

Spring Year 2 Notes

Remember: you can only take up to 2 courses from the same department to complete your General Education requirements, you need to choose courses from other departments if you have already taken two CMST courses to complete the General Education goal requirements. *After this term, you should have all of your General education goal requirements completed that leaves the remaining two years for you to complete the major and minor courses, and in the process complete at least 40 credits at the 300/400 level. **DON'T FORGET you should apply to the major and to your minor at this point if you have not already done so.

Fall Year 3

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
CMST	302	Argumentation	4	
CMST	306	Communication Research Methods	4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	

Fall Year 3 Notes

There is flexibility here. Some may wish to take three CMST courses and one course in the minor, for example. Talk with your advisor.

Spring Year 3

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
CMST	???	Communication Skills Elective course	4	
CMST	???	Communication Analysis Elective course	4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	

Spring Year 3 Notes**Fall Year 4**

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
CMST	???	Unrestricted Elective in CMST	4	
CMST	???	Unrestricted elective in CMST	4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	

Fall Year 4 Notes

At least 4 credits of your unrestricted electives in CMST must be at the 300 or 400 level.

Spring Year 4

Designator	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Milestones
CMST	485W	Senior Seminar	4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	
???	???	Course in minor	3-4	
???	???	Course in minor	???	

Spring Year 4 Notes

Depending on the size of your minor, it is quite possible you will be able to take a general elective or two instead of courses in your minor. Please talk with your advisor.