

Program Pathway – Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Social Media Concentration or Organizational Communication Leadership Concentration

This map is a term-by-term sample course schedule. Highlighted courses have been identified as "key courses." It is strongly advised that students make every effort to pass these courses on the first attempt with a "C" or higher in order to be successful in this program. The milestones listed below each year are designed to keep you on course to graduate in four years. Missing milestones could prevent you from being eligible for a particular program or could result in a delay in graduation. The Program Pathway serves as a general guideline to help you build a full schedule each term.

First Year – Term 1			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
ENGL 1101*	English Composition I	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
MATH 1001 OR	Quantitative Skills/Reasoning or Math	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer
1101 OR 1111	Modeling or College Algebra or		scores.
OR 1401	Elementary Statistics		
SPAN SEQUENCE	(depending on placement)	3	
COMM 1110*	Fundamentals of Speech	3	
PRSP 1010*	Perspective Elective	1	
	Semester Total	13	

First Year – Term 2			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
ENGL 1102*	English Composition II	3	ENGL 1101 ('C' or higher)
COMM 1100*	Human Communication	3	ENGL 0999, unless exempt
SPAN SEQUENCE	Spanish 1002, 2001, or 2002	3	
Lab science Elective	Choose 1: BIOL 1105K, 1107K, 1108K, 1203K, 1224K, CHEM 1151K, 1211K, 1212K, GEOL 1121K, 1122K, PHYS 1111K, 1112K, 2211K, 2212	4	
PSYC 1101	Introduction to Psychology	3	
	Semester Total	16	

First Year Milestones

- Complete ENGL 1101 & ENGL 1102
- Complete a MATH course
- Meet with your advisor
- Complete COMM 1110, 1100 or 2000, Foreign Language, and PSYC 1101 (9 hours of related major courses)
- Consult your DegreeWorks frequently to ensure course completion



Second Year – Term 1				
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites	
Lab Science Elective	See above	4	Varies by course selected	
COMM 2000* or COMM 2110*	Introduction to Mass Communication or Interpersonal Communication	3	COMM 1110 with a grade of C or better; ENGL 1101	
HIST 2111/2112	United States History	3	Completion of ENGL 1101 LSUP OR EXEMPTION	
English/ Fine Arts English Elective	Suggested: ENGL 2101, Introduction to Film as Literature	3		
POLS 1101	American Government	3	ENGL 0999, unless exempt.	
	Semester Total	16		

Second Year - Terr	m 2		
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
Science/ Math / Technology Elective	Suggested: MATH 1401 or CMPS 1130	3	
COMM 2110 or COMM 2000	Interpersonal Communication or Introduction to Mass Communication	3	COMM 1110
Area C Elective	THEA 1100 suggested	3	
Area E elective	Choose 1: ANTH 1103, ECON 2105, 2106, GEOG 1100, 1101, or 1111, HIST 1111, 1112, 2111, 2112, PHIL 1103, 2010, 2020, POLS 2101, 2201, 2301, 2401, PSYC 1101, 2101, 2103, 2204, 2250, SOCI 1101, 1160	3	
Major Elective	Strongly Suggested: THEA 2100, 2200, or 2300, or ENGL 2101 if not taken in Area C	3	
	Semester Total	15	

Second Year Milestones

- Meet with your advisor
- C or better grades in all COMM courses
- Consult your DegreeWorks frequently to ensure course completion



Third Year – Term 1			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
COMM 3100*	Introduction to Communication Theory	3	COMM 1110, 1100, 2110, and 2000 with C or better
COMM 3301*	Communication for Business and Professional Settings	3	COMM 1110, 1100, 2110, and 2000 with C or better
COMM 3400*	Organizational Communication	3	COMM 1110, 1100, 2110, and 2000 with C or better
COMM CONCENTRATION Elective*	FOR ELECTIVES, SEE COURSES FOR CONCENTRATIONS BELOW	3	
COMM CONCENTRATION or MINOR elective*		3	
	Semester Total	15	

Third Year – Term 2			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
COMM 4010*	Qualitative Research Methods in Communication	3	COMM 1110, 1100, 2110, and 2000 with C or better; COMM 3100
COMM CONCENTRATION*		3	
COMM CONCENTRATION or MINOR elective*	3 courses	9	
	Semester Total	15	

Third Year Milestones

- Create and maintain eportfolio in COMM 3301 that will be assessed in COMM 4999
- Create LinkedIn account
- Investigate Internships; File resume with Handshake; attend Career Fairs
- Talk with Advisor about Graduate School
- Consult your DegreeWorks frequently to ensure course completion



Fourth Year – Term 1			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
COMM 4020*	Quantitative Research Methods in Communication	3	COMM 3100 , COMM 3310
COMM 4425*	Intercultural Communication	3	COMM 3100
COMM 4602*	Mass Media and Society	3	COMM 3100
COMM CONCENTRATION*		3	
COMM CONCENTRATION or MINOR elective*		3	
	Semester Total	15	

Fourth Year – Term 2			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
COMM 4180*	Media Effects	3	COMM 3100
COMM 4400*	Introduction to Film Studies	3	COMM 3100
COMM 4999*	Senior Seminar in Communication	3	By permission of advisor; only for last semester
COMM CONCENTRATION*		3	
COMM CONCENTRATION or MINOR Elective*		3	
	Semester Total	15	

Fourth Year Milestones

- Submit Graduation Application to Office of Enrollment Services
- Complete eportfolio for review in capstone (COMM 4999)
- Look for post-graduate/ paid internships
- Investigate graduate programs

Notes:

The Program Pathway is not a contract, neither expressed or implied, between the student and Dalton State College, but represents a flexible program of the current catalog's curriculum which may be altered at any time to carry out the academic objectives of the College.

^{*} denotes grade of 'C' or higher required



Students will need to select from one of the three concentrations based on career interests.

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNITCATION LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION: 12-15 hours; optional minor or upper division electives in communication or related field where appropriate, 15-18 hours.

Required Electives:

COMM 3000, Introduction to Public Relations

COMM 4100, Integrated Marketing Communication

Other suggested electives:

COMM 3001, Principles of Advertising

COMM 3101, Writing for Electronic Media

COMM 3220, Persuasive Communication

COMM 3350, Listening

COMM 3425, Communication in Small Groups and Teams

COMM 3405, Readings in Leadership and Communication

COMM 3700, Introduction to Video Production

COMM 3710, Content Strategy and Development with Adobe Suite

COMM 3720 Graphic Design Tools

COMM 4000, Internship in Communication (prerequisite, 12 hours of upper division communication courses and permission of chair)

COMM 4110, Interpersonal Communication and Conflict Management

COMM 4120, Principles of Health Communication

COMM 4200, Social Media Communication

COMM 4380, Law and Ethics in Communication

DIGITAL/SOCIAL MEDIA CONCENTRATION, 12-15 hours; optional minor or upper division electives in communication or related field where appropriate, 15-18 hours.

Required Electives:

COMM 4200, Social Media Communication

COMM 4300, Emerging Media

Other suggested electives:

COMM 3000, Introduction to Public Relations

COMM 3001, Principles of Advertising

COMM 3101, Writing for Electronic Media

COMM 3220, Persuasive Communication

COMM 3700, Introduction to Video Production

COMM 3710, Content Strategy and Development with Adobe Suite

COMM 3720, Graphic Design Tools

COMM 4000, Internship in Communication (prerequisite, 12 hours of upper division communication courses and permission of chair)

COMM 4100, Integrated Marketing Communication

COMM 4140, Mass Media and Popular Culture

COMM 4380, Law and Ethics in Communication