**BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH A MAJOR IN COMMUNICATION**

**REQUIREMENTS**

The following requirements must be fulfilled:

The general requirements stated under Columbian College of Arts and Sciences, Undergraduate Programs (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/arts-sciences/#degreeregulationtext).

Program-specific curriculum:

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<td>Required (21 credits)</td>
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<td>COMM 1025</td>
<td>Introduction to Communication Studies</td>
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<td>Electives (18 credits)</td>
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<td>Six additional Communication (COMM) courses at the 2000 level or above.</td>
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Courses in related areas (15 credits)

15 credits in upper-division courses in one other department, program, or field of study, as approved by the major advisor. This requirement may be fulfilled by completion of a second major, a minor, or a field of study other than organizational communication.

**GENERAL EDUCATION**

In addition to the University General Education Requirement (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/university-regulations/general-education/#text), undergraduate students in Columbian College must complete a further, College-specific general education curriculum—Perspective, Analysis, Communication, or G-PAC. Together with the University General Education Requirement, G-PAC engages students in active intellectual inquiry across the liberal arts. Students achieve a set of learning outcomes that enhance their analytical skills, develop their communication competencies, and invite them to participate as responsible citizens who are attentive to issues of culture, diversity, and privilege.

G-PAC approved courses, Dean’s Seminars, and Sophomore Colloquia that may be available for registration are listed on the CCAS Advising website (https://advising.columbian.gwu.edu/general-education-courses/).

Coursework for the University General Education Requirement is distributed as follows:

- Writing—one approved course in university writing and two approved writing in the disciplines (WID) courses.
- Humanities—one approved course in the humanities that involves critical or creative thinking skills.
- Mathematics or Statistics—one approved course in either mathematics or statistics.
- Natural or Physical Science—one approved laboratory course that employs the process of scientific inquiry.
- Social Sciences—two approved courses in the social sciences.

Coursework for the Columbian College general education curriculum is distributed as follows:

- Arts—one approved course in the arts that involves the study or creation of artwork based on an understanding or interpretation of artistic traditions or knowledge of art in a contemporary context.
- Global or Cross-Cultural Perspective—one approved course that analyzes the ways in which institutions, practices, and problems transcend national and regional boundaries.
- Humanities—one approved course in the humanities that involves critical thinking skills (in addition to the one course in this category required by the University General Education Requirement).
- Local or Civic Engagement—one approved course that develops the values, ethics, disciplines, and commitment to pursue responsible public action.
- Natural or Physical Science—one approved laboratory course that employs the process of scientific inquiry (in addition to the one course in this category required by the University General Education Requirement.
- Oral Communication—one course in oral communication.

Certain courses are approved to fulfill the requirement in more than one of these categories.

Courses taken in fulfillment of G-PAC also may be counted toward majors or minors. Transfer courses taken prior to, but not after, admission to George Washington University may count toward the University General Education Requirement and G-PAC, if those transfer courses are equivalent to GW courses that have been approved by the University and the College.

**SPECIAL HONORS**

Students may graduate with Special Honors if they meet the following criteria:
1. Special Honors requirements stated under University Regulations;

2. Selection to Lambda Pi Eta, the National Communication Association Honor Society, which maintains a chapter in the GW Communication Program (i.e., open to majors who have completed a minimum of 24 hours in communication coursework, who hold a grade-point average of 3.3 in communication courses and a grade-point average of 3.0 overall, and who are recommended by a majority of the full-time communication faculty); and,

3. A minimum grade of A- on the thesis required in COMM 4199W Senior Seminar.