

# Liberal Arts: Communications Option (A.A.)

Division of Humanities & Bilingual Studies — Curriculum Code: 019C

*Will Earn Upon Program Completion: Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree*

The Liberal Arts AA: Communications degree program is designed for students interested in gaining a general working knowledge of the media and communications industry or who intend to transfer to a four-year college to complete a bachelor's degree. Communications and media-related studies include television production, film production, radio production, and mass communication. The Liberal Arts AA Communications program utilizes state-of-the-art equipment to provide students with knowledge in producing, writing, directing, editing, technical operations, and on air performance. With advanced degrees and relevant job experience, students can secure rewarding positions in each of these areas.

## Program Requirements

### GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Written & Oral Communication (9 credits)

[ENG 101](#) (3 credits)

[ENG 102](#) (3 credits)

[ENG 109](#) (3 credits)

Quantitative Knowledge & Skills and Scientific Knowledge & Reasoning (12 credits)

Choose one mathematics course and a lab science sequence or two mathematics courses and one lab science course from the following:

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Mathematics: [MTH 100](#)[MTH 101](#)[MTH 103](#)[MTH 113](#)[MTH 119](#)[MTH 120](#)[MTH 121](#)[MTH 122](#)[MTH 127](#)[MTH 221](#) or [MTH 222](#) (one or two 4-credit courses)

AND

Lab Science: [BIO 101](#) – [BIO 102](#)[BIO 103](#) – [BIO 104](#)[BIO 121](#) – [BIO 122](#)[CHM 101](#) – [CHM 102](#)[CHM 103](#) – [CHM 104](#); [GEO 101](#) – [GEO 102](#) [PHY 101](#) – [PHY 102](#)[PHY 103](#) – [PHY 104](#) or [PHY 113](#) – [PHY 114](#) (one or two 4-credit courses)

Society & Human Behavior (6 credits)

Choose two of the following courses: [ANT 101](#)[ANT 105](#)[ECO 101](#)[ECO 102](#)[POL 101](#)[POL 104](#)[PSY 101](#)[PSY 102](#)[PSY 219](#)[SOC 101](#)[SOC 108](#) or [SOC 219](#) (two 3-credit courses)

Humanistic Perspective (9 credits)

Choose two of the following literature courses: [ENG 205](#)[ENG 208](#)[ENG 215](#)[ENG 221](#)[ENG 222](#)[ENG 232](#)[ENG 237](#)[ENG 238](#)[ENG 242](#)[ENG 250](#)[ENG 263](#) or [ENG 264](#) (two 3-credit courses)

AND

Choose one of the following art or music courses: [ART 100](#)[ART 101](#)[ART 102](#)[MUS 100](#)[MUS 108](#)[MUS 109](#) or [MUS 117](#) (one 3-credit course)

Historical Perspective (6 credits)

Choose one of the following history sequences: [HST 101](#) – [HST 102](#)[HST 111](#) – [HST 112](#)[HST 121](#) – [HST 122](#)[HST 131](#) – [HST 132](#)[HST 134](#) – [HST 135](#)[HST 136](#) – [HST 137](#) or [HST 161](#) – [HST 162](#) (two 3-credit courses)

Global & Cultural Awareness of Diversity (3 credits)

Choose one additional (non-repeated) course from the following: [ANT 101](#)[ANT 105](#)[ART 100](#)[ART 101](#)[ART 102](#)[ART 200](#)[CIN 103](#)[ENG 205](#)[ENG 215](#)[ENG 232](#)[ENG 237](#)[ENG 238](#)[ENG 242](#)[ENG 263](#)[ENG 264](#)[HST 121](#)[HST 122](#)[HST 137](#)[MUS 117](#)[PSY 232](#)[REL 105](#)[SOC 108](#)[SOC 205](#) or [SOC 207](#) (one 3-credit course)

### **MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

[ENG 151](#) Mass Communication (3 credits)

Choose any three of the following Cinema or Communications elective courses: [CIN 101](#) Introduction to the Art of Film, [CIN 103](#) History of African-American Film, [CMS 110](#) Fundamentals of Television Production, [CMS 113](#) Writing for Film and Television, [CMS 121](#) Fundamentals of Filmmaking, [CMS 136](#) Radio Broadcasting and Production, [CMS 210](#) Television Production II, and/or [CMS 219](#) Video Production (three 3-credit courses)

### **ADDITIONAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Choose two free electives (two 3-credit courses)

### **RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF COURSES**

Total Credits Required for Degree: 63

#### First Semester

[ENG 101](#) College Composition I (3 credits)

[ENG 151](#) Mass Communications (3 credits)

Quantitative Knowledge & Skills or Scientific Knowledge & Reasoning mathematics or lab science requirement (4 credits)

Society & Human Behavior requirement (3 credits)

Historical Perspective requirement (3 credits)

#### Second Semester

[ENG 102](#) College Composition II (3 credits)

Quantitative Knowledge & Skills or Scientific Knowledge & Reasoning mathematics or lab science requirement (4 credits)

Society & Human Behavior requirement (3 credits)

Historical Perspective requirement (3 credits)

Cinema or Communications elective (3 credits)

#### Third Semester

[ENG 109](#) Effective Speech (3 credits)

Quantitative Knowledge & Skills or Scientific Knowledge & Reasoning mathematics or lab science requirement (4 credits)

Humanistic Perspective literature requirement (3 credits)

Cinema or Communications elective (3 credits)

Free elective (3 credits)

#### Fourth Semester

Humanistic Perspective literature requirement (3 credits)

Humanistic Perspective art or music requirement (3 credits)

Global & Cultural Awareness of Diversity requirement (3 credits)

Cinema or Communications elective (3 credits)

Free elective (3 credits)

#### NOTES:

(1) The two General Education Integrated Course Goals, Ethical Reasoning & Action and Information Literacy, are both addressed by the required curriculum described above, regardless of specific choices made by the individual student.

(2) This plan assumes the completion of all required developmental courses in Reading, English, and Mathematics as well as other [pre-requisites](#) and [co-requisites](#) for some of the courses, as listed in the Course Descriptions section.