## BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA

The Bachelor of Arts in Communications and Media program prepares students with the essential communication and media skills needed to thrive in dynamic professional environments. Emphasizing media ethics, technology, and data-driven storytelling, the curriculum explores how communication strategies engage diverse audiences across evolving media platforms. Students gain experience in content creation, audience engagement, and media production. By blending theory with practice, the program cultivates critical thinking, creativity, and adaptability—preparing graduates for careers in digital communication, journalism, public relations, social media, and content strategy, as well as further studies in related fields and a variety of professional disciplines.

All courses taken in the major program must be passed with a letter grade of "C" or higher.

Courses may be used to fulfill both major and general education requirements.

## **Program Mission Statement**

The mission of the Communications and Media Program is to empower students to communicate effectively, craft ethical, data-informed, and compelling stories, adapt to real-world challenges, and create strategic solutions that engage diverse audiences while preparing graduates to lead and innovate across evolving media, technology, and cultural landscapes.

## **Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)**

- Communication: Demonstrate effective communication strategies tailored to inform, engage, and persuade diverse audiences.
- Digital Culture: Evaluate the dynamic interactions between culture, media and technology in shaping societal narratives and behavior.
- Ethics: Critically assess ethical implications and reasoning to develop decision-making in media and communication contexts.
- Storytelling: Design engaging narratives that effectively connect with stakeholders across multiple media platforms.
- Strategic Analysis: Interpret data to draw insights, predict trends, and support evidence-based decisions.
- Real World Implementation: Develop innovative solutions for realworld challenges by integrating communication strategies and media technologies.

## **Major Requirements**

| COMU 300 | Communications and Media:<br>Challenges and Opportunities | 3 |
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| COMU 301 | Advanced Public Speaking                                  | 3 |
| COMU 315 | Intercultural Communication                               | 3 |
| COMU 330 | History of Communication and<br>Technological Revolutions | 3 |
| COMU 360 | Methods and Techniques of Persuasion                      | 3 |
| COMU 365 | Multimedia Journalism                                     | 3 |
| COMU 370 | Principles of Public Relations                            | 3 |
| COMU 375 | Media Ethics  | 3 |

| COMU 380                         | Interpreting Data: Predictions, Patterns, and Communication | 3 |  |
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| COMU 420                         | Communication Through Social Media                          | 3 |  |
| COMU 451                         | Communication Theory and Digital<br>Media                   | 3 |  |
| COMU 485                         | Communications and Media Capstone                           | 3 |  |
| ENGU 348                         | Producing and Writing for Digital Media                     | 3 |  |
| PSYU 355                         | Media Psychology  | 3 |  |
| Major Requirements Total Credits |   |   |  |
| Total Credits                    | 42  |   |  |