

Curriculum Guide for students entering 2013 or afterward (Revised 11-2023)
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES (120 credits to Graduate)
LEGAL COMM. CONCENTRATION – LEGAL COMMUNICATION SEQUENCE

Freshman Year: Fall Semester		16 cr. hrs.	Credit Hours	Pre-Requisites for Legal
SCOM 102	Intro: Comm. Professional Dev		1 cr. hr.	None
SCOM 120	Digital Media Literacy		3 cr. hrs.	None
ENGW	First Year Writing Semester 1		3 cr. hrs.	None
POLS 001	Intro to Political Science		3 cr. hrs.	None
MATH	(005 or Higher)		3 cr. hrs.	None
	Foreign Language		3 cr. hrs.	None
Freshman Year: Spring Semester		15 cr. hrs.		
SCOM 130	Ethical Issues in Comm.		3 cr. hrs.	None
COMM 101	Principles of Speech		3 cr. hrs.	None
ENGW	First Year Writing Semester 2		3 cr. hrs.	None
	Foreign Language		3 cr. hrs.	
PHIL 055 or	Intro to Philosophy		3 cr. hrs.	None
PHIL 051 or	Principles of Reasoning			None
Sophomore Year: Fall Semester		15 cr. hrs.		
COMM 202	Intro to Communication Theory		3 cr. hr.	None
COMM 203	Principles of Persuasion		3 cr. hrs.	None
POLS 010	National Government		3 cr. hrs.	None
COMP 004	*Comp. & Society or Computer Elective		3 cr. hrs.	None
ENGL 009 or 010	*Tech Writing for Pre-Law		3 cr. hrs.	None
	Electives can be taken Fall or Spring Semester			None
Sophomore Year: Spring Semester		16 cr. hrs.		
COMM 250	Intro to Leadership & Management Comm		3 cr. hrs.	None
COMM 231	Mock Trial		3 cr. hrs.	None
PSYC 050	Intro to Psychology		3 cr. hrs.	None
	*African American Elective		3 cr. hrs.	None
	*Minor – Requirement		3 cr. hrs.	Sophomore Standing
HHPL	PE/Health Ed Elective		1 cr. hrs.	None
	*Electives can be taken Fall or Spring Semester			
Junior Year: Fall Semester		15 cr. hrs.		
COMM 301	International/Intercultural Comm.		3 cr. hrs.	None
COMM 330	Constitutional Law (formerly POLS 163)(Spring only)		3 cr. hrs.	None
COMM 331	Communications Law		3 cr. hrs.	None
HIST	*US History Elective		3 cr. hrs.	None
	*Minor Requirement		3 cr. hrs.	None
	*Electives can be taken Fall or Spring Semester			
Junior Year: Spring Semester		16 cr. hrs.		
COMM 332	Intro to Legal Research		3 cr. hrs.	Junior Standing/COMM 331 Communications Law
	*Social Science Elective		3 cr. hrs.	None
	Minor Requirement		3 cr. hrs.	None
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	*Law Elective		3 cr. hrs.	None
HHPL	PE/Health Ed Elective		1 cr. hrs.	None
	*Electives can be taken Fall or Spring Semester			
Senior Year: Fall Semester		14 cr. hrs.		
COMM 490	**Communication Research Methods		3 cr. hrs.	None
COMM 403	Practicum-Internship: LC		1 cr. hrs.	Junior Standing
COMM 351	Advanced Public Speaking		3 cr. hrs.	COMM 101 Principles of Speech
COMM/MJFC	Communicative Elective		1 cr. hrs.	None
	Minor Requirement		3 cr. hrs.	None
	*Social Science Elective		3 cr. hrs.	None
				None
Senior Year: Spring Semester		13 cr. hrs.		
COMM 431	Conflict Mgmt & Negot. Strat.		3 cr. hrs.	None
COMM 492	**Capstone: Senior Research Project		3 cr. hrs.	**COMM 490 (Comm. Research Methods) and COMM 492 (Capstone Sr. Research Project) cannot be taken simultaneously
COMM/MJFC	Communications Elective		3 cr. hr.	None
	Minor Requirement		3 cr. hr.	None
COMM/MJFC 325	COMM Co-Curricular		1 cr. hrs.	None
				None

Unless otherwise noted, ALL GENERAL EDUCATIONAL ELECTIVES MUST BE TAKEN OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATIONS

IMPORTANT: Unless otherwise arranged, SOC required courses should be taken within Year designated (i.e. Junior year, Senior year, etc). Electives and Minor courses may be taken as available.

**COMM 490 (Comm. Research Methods) and COMM 492 (Capstone Sr. Research Project) cannot be taken simultaneously.

****COMM 330 (Constitutional Law) course is only for COMM majors. Please refrain from registering for POLS 163 in COAS. If you have already taken POLS 163 Constitutional Law in COAS, then you have met the COMM Constitutional Law course requirement. There is no need to take both classes. However, if you have not taken POLS 163, you must register for COMM 330, going forward.**

Adherence to this scheme by non-communication majors does not influence the student's chance of admission to the School of Communications and does not presuppose acceptance. See Academic Advisors for further information.

****NOTE:** All COMM Minor and ENGW classes require a grade of C or better. All Minors and General Electives must be taken outside of the Cathy Hughes School of Communications

STUDENTS WHO HAVE ENROLLED IN A COURSE WITHOUT THE PROPER PREREQUISITE(S) CAN BE ADMINISTRATIVELY WITHDRAWN FROM THE COURSE.

Overview of Cathy Hughes School of Communications Credits: Legal Communication Requirements
Total = 49 CHSOC Credits

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION CORE REQUIREMENTS (Total credits = 7 credits)

- Intro: Comm. Professional Development - (1 credit)
- Digital Media Literacy - (3 credits)
- Ethical Issues in Communication - (3 credits)

DEPARTMENTAL CORE REQUIREMENTS (Total credits = 13 credits)

- Introduction to Communication theory- (3 credits)
- Principles of Persuasion - (3 credits)
- International/Intercultural Communication - (3 credits)
- Practicum-Internship - (1 credit)
- Capstone: Senior Research Project (3 credits)

LEGAL COMMUNICATION CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS (Total 26 credits)

- Mock Trial - (3 credits)
- Introduction to Leadership & Management Communications - (3 credits)
- Constitutional Law – (3 credits)
- Communications Law - (3 credits)
- Advanced Public Speaking - (3 credits)
- Intro to Legal Research - (3 credits)
- Conflict Management (3 credits)
- Research Methodology - (3 credits)
- Communication Entrepreneurship – (1 credit)
- COMM Co-Curricular – (1 credit)
- Communication Elective – (3 credits)