

# ACADEMIC PLANNING GUIDE

# COMMUNICATION ARTS: MEDIA STUDIES

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	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
<b>First Year</b>	•NPD 1000: Dialogue I	4	•Culture and Society Option	4
	•BTS 1850: Introduction to the Bible	4	•Mathematics Option	4
	•Foreign Language 1010 Option	4	•Foreign Language 1020 Option	4
	COMM 2150: Introduction to Media Theory	4	•Personal Development Option	2
	<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Second Year</b>	•Science Quad/Science Quad Option	2/2	•NPD 2000: Dialogue II	4
	•COMM 2250: Film Studies	4	•Biblical Studies Option	4
	COMM Writing or Production Course (COMM 2155 is suggested)	2	COMM Performance Studies Option	4
	Elective	4	Elective	4
	<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Third Year</b>	COMM 3100: Foundations of Media Industries	2	•NPD 3000: Dialogue III	4
	COMM Writing or Production Course	4	COMM Writing or Production Course	4
	Elective	4	Elective	4
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	<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>	COMM 3480: Media Ethics	2	COMM 3450: Media and Society	4
	COMM 4010: Professional Seminar	0	COMM Writing or Production Course	4
	Elective	4	COMM 4010: Professional Seminar	0
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• Course meets a general education requirement

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**Graduation Requirement:**

120 semester hours, minimum

**General Education Requirements:**

44 semester hours

- The North Park Dialogue (12)
  - Dialogue I (4)
  - Dialogue II (4)
  - Dialogue III (4)
- Culture and Society (4)
- Personal Development (2)
- Biblical Studies (8)
  - BTS 1850 (4)
  - BTS option (4)
- Foreign Language (8)
  - 1010 Level (4)
  - 1020 Level (4)
- Mathematics (4)
- Fine Arts (2) Met by major course COMM 2250
- Natural Science (4)
  - Biology (2)
  - Chemistry/Physics (2)

See General Education checklist for specific courses that will fulfill each requirement.  
<http://www.northpark.edu/generaleducation>

Some general education courses may meet course requirements for your major.

**Additional Graduation Requirements**

- Total of 120 semester hours, minimum. Additional courses may need to be taken to meet this requirement.
- Grade Point Average
  - Overall cumulative grade point average of 2.00
  - Cumulative grade point average in major of 2.00
- Last 30 semester hours must be taken at North Park
- Acceptance into the major

**Major Requirements:**

***Required Semester Hours: 36 semester hours***

***Required Core Courses: 36 semester hours***

- COMM 2150: Introduction to Media Theory (4) Grade of "C" or better is required for admission to major
- COMM 2250: Film Studies (4)
- COMM 3100: Foundations of Media Industries (2)
- COMM 3450: Media and Society (4)
- COMM 3480: Media Ethics (2)
- COMM 4010: Professional Seminar (0), repeated two times, preferably during the fourth year.

One of the following performance studies options:

- COMM 1910: Public Speaking (4)
- COMM 2110: Performance of Literature (2) and COMM 2130: Storytelling (2)
- COMM 2140: Introduction to Theatre (4)

A minimum of 16 sh in writing and production courses, including a minimum of 4 sh in writing and a minimum of 2 sh in production.

Choose from:

- COMM 2155: Audio Production I (2) (prerequisite for COMM 2175, 2355 & 3355)
- COMM 2175: Audio Production II (2)
- COMM 2355: Video Production I (4)
- COMM 3310: Media Writing (4)
- COMM 3320: Dramatic Writing I (4)
- COMM 3321: Dramatic Writing II (4)
- COMM 3330: Journalism I (4)
- COMM 3331: Journalism II (4)
- COMM 3355: Video Production II (4)

NOTE: The Communication Arts Department urges students in this major to consider an internship (COMM 4970).

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