## Required Semester Hours for B.A.: 36 semester hours

### Supporting Courses: 8 semester hours
- COMM 2010: Introduction to Communication Theory (4)
- COMM 2810: Critical Reading, Writing and Analysis (4)

### 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) - meets Arts & Aesthetic Interpretation Requirement
- COMM 3100: Foundations of Media Industries (2) - partially meets Writing Research Designation
- 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 2140: Introduction to Theatre (4) - meets Arts & Aesthetic Interpretation Requirement
- COMM 2240: Introduction to Performance Studies (4) - meets Arts & Aesthetic Interpretation Requirement

### 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) - meets Writing Intensive Designation
- COMM 3321: Dramatic Writing II (4) - meets Writing Intensive Designation
- COMM 3330: Journalism I (4)
- COMM 3331: Multi-Media Journalism(4)
- COMM 3355: Video Production II (4)

### Notes:
- The Communication Arts Department urges students in this major to consider an internship (COMM 4970)

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### Core Curriculum

Starting with the framework of North Park’s identity as a Christian, liberal arts institution, our Core Curriculum is intentionally multi-disciplinary and multi-year. It is set up as a progress through three areas: Foundation Courses, Explorations Courses, and Capstone Courses.

[http://www.northpark.edu/Academics/Undergraduate-Studies/Core-Curriculum](http://www.northpark.edu/Academics/Undergraduate-Studies/Core-Curriculum)

#### Foundations
Preparing for more in-depth work in both the Core Curriculum and your major

- Cornerstone Seminar (4sh)
- Biblical Studies (4sh)
- Health and Well-Being (2sh)
- Analytical & Quantitative Reasoning (4sh)
- Global Histories (4sh)
- Modern Languages (8sh)

#### Explorations
Knowledge in specific disciplines, with strong emphasis on how you can use them in the context of your own life

- Art and Aesthetics (2sh) *met by COMM 2140 or 2240*
- Christian Life & Thought (4sh)
- Life Science (2sh/lab)
- Physical Science (2sh/lab)
- Culture and Society (4sh)
- Ethical Reasoning (2sh) *Met by COMM 3480*

#### Intermediate Level Writing
Two courses in the context of your major that specifically address writing clearly and doing effective research

- Writing Intensive Course (4sh) *met by COMM 3320, 3321, 3330, or 3331*
- Research Writing Course (4sh) *met by COMM 2010*

### Keystone
Interdisciplinary integration of skills and knowledge applied to contemporary social issues

- Keystone Seminar (4sh)

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