

# ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (A.A.) - COMMUNICATION STUDIES

## Associate of Arts - General AA; Communication Studies Concentration

### Summary

Code	Title	Hours
Degree Specific Requirements		24-25
	Organizational Communication or Rhetorical Theory	
	Statistics	
	Communication Elective	
Writing Skills		6
	Introductory Writing Course	
	Intermediate Writing Course	
Mathematics		3
Perspectives		21-27
	Expressive Arts	
	Literary & Artistic Studies	
	Historical & Cultural Studies	
	Social Sciences	
	Ethical & Human Values	
	Democracy and Citizenship	
	Cultural and International Diversity	
	Natural Sciences	
AA Degree Electives		13-27

**Degree Specific Credits:** 60

**Required Cumulative GPA:** 2.0

**Note:** The A.A. degree has three requirements:

1. completion of UM's lower-division General Education Requirements (GERs),
2. a minimum of 60 total earned credits, and
3. a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.

At least 30 of the total 60 degree credits must be earned from Missoula College or UM-Missoula.

Missoula College students are limited to enrolling in lower-division coursework (course level 100 or 200).

In addition, to receive to Associate of Arts with a concentration in Communication Studies, a student must complete the requirements specific to that degree.

### Degree Specific Requirements for AA with a Concentration in Communication Studies

**Note:** Some courses required for the Associate of Arts with a concentration in Communication Studies satisfy multiple Perspectives or GER Categories; visit with your advisor for more information.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete all of the following courses:</b>		
COMX 111A	Introduction to Public Speaking	3
COMX 115S	Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	3
COMX 140L	Introduction to Visual Rhetoric	3
M 115	Probability and Linear Mathematics	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

### Organizational Communication or Rhetorical Theory

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete one of the following courses:</b>		
COMX 220S	Introduction to Organizational Communication	3
	or COMX 240H Introduction to Rhetorical Theory	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

### Statistics

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete one of the following courses:</b>		
PSYX 222	Psychological Statistics	3-4
SOCI 202	Social Statistics	
STAT 216	Introduction to Statistics	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>3-4</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

### Communication Elective

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete 6 credits in two directed elective courses. Directed electives must be approved by student's advisor.</b>		<b>6</b>

### Writing Skills

**Rule:** Complete the following subcategories. 6 total credits required.

**Note:** NOTE: Students who place into and successfully complete WRIT 201 are considered to have satisfied both the WRIT 101 and the Lower-Division Approved Writing Course General Education Requirements.

### Introductory Writing Course

**Note:** Appropriate placement into WRIT 101/WRIT 201 required. Prerequisites may apply.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete one of the following courses:</b>		
WRIT 101	College Writing I	3
	or WRIT 201 College Writing II	

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Intermediate Writing Course**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete any course designated as an Intermediate Writing Course during semester it's taken.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Mathematics**

**Note:** Appropriate placement into mathematics courses required.

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete any Mathematics course level 104 or higher (excluding M 111).</b>	<b>3-4</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Perspectives**

**Rule:** A minimum of 3 credits towards each perspective category is required. 21-27 total credits required.

**Note:** Some courses satisfy multiple Perspectives or GER Categories; visit with your advisor for more information. Students who take the maximum number of Perspective "double-dippers" possible will be able to complete the Perspectives with a total of 21 credits.

**Expressive Arts (A)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 3 credits in any course with the Expressive Arts (A) designation.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Literary & Artistic Studies (L)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 3 credits in any course with the Literary &amp; Artistic Studies (L) designation.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Historical & Cultural Studies (H)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 3 credits in any course with the Historical &amp; Cultural Studies (H) designation.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Social Sciences (S)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 3 credits in any course with the Social Sciences (S) designation.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Ethical & Human Values (E)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 3 credits in any course with the Ethical &amp; Human Values (E) designation.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Democracy and Citizenship (Y)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 3 credits in any course with the Democracy and Citizenship (Y) designation.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Cultural and International Diversity (X)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 3 credits in any course with the Cultural and International Diversity (X) designation.</b>	<b>3</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**Natural Sciences (N)**

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete a minimum 6 credits in any course with the Natural Sciences (N) designation. At least one course must have a laboratory component.</b>	<b>6</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

**AA Degree Electives**

**Note:** Number of elective credits required varies; student needs to ensure s/he earns at least 60 total credits for the AA degree. Transfer students may count up to 30 transfer credits towards the total 60 necessary for degree. A maximum of 15 technical credits may be counted towards the total 60. (A student may use 20 technical credits towards the 60 if s/he has earned an AAS degree.)

Code	Title	Hours
	<b>Complete elective credits to attain the 60 credits required for the General AA degree.</b>	<b>13-27</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-