

ENGLISH

CO majors need to pass English Composition I and II with a “C” or better.

Students with an ACT English sub-score of 28+ may take Accelerated English Comp. II and get credit for both English Composition classes. See your advisor or student handbook for more information.

MATH

Students must pass College Algebra and one additional higher-level math. Most students take Trigonometry or Statistics as their second math.

The MSU Math Dept. requires a C or better in College Algebra to enroll in a higher-level math.

Students with an ACT Math sub-score of 24+ can take one math class to satisfy the math requirement. See your advisor or student handbook for more information.

SCIENCE

Students must pass one BIO course, one Physical Science course with a lab, and one third science (no lab required). All science courses must be “on core.” The list of “core” classes can be found on the CO Department website and in your CAPP report on Banner.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Students must pass the third level of a foreign language. The first two levels aren’t required, but most students need to take the first two in order to pass the third level.

HUMANITIES EN, HI, PHI, REL & SOME AAS, FL, GS/WS

Students must take one History, one English Literature, and one Philosophy class PLUS three additional humanities electives.

The required History and English Literature class must be “on core.” The list of “core” classes can be found on the CO Department website and in your CAPP report on Banner.

The three electives must cover at least two areas of study. (*For example, a student can’t count three HI classes to meet the electives requirement.)

SOCIAL SCIENCES AN, EC, GR, PS, PSY, SO & SOME AAS, EN, FL, GS/WS

Students must take General Psychology, Introduction to World Geography, and Introduction to Sociology PLUS two additional social science electives.

Note: A student cannot count both EC 2113 Macroeconomics and EC 2123 Microeconomics for the two electives.

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

All communication students must take:

- CO 1003 Fundamentals of Public Speaking
- CO 1223 Introduction to Communication Theory
- CO 1403 Introduction to Mass Media

Additionally, the following classes are required for communication studies:

- CO 2213 Small Group Communication
- CO 2253 Interpersonal Communication
- CO 4203 Nonverbal Communication
- CO 4213 Political Communication
- CO 4223 Advanced Communication Theory
- CO 4243 Rhetorical Theory
- CO 4253 Persuasion
- CO 4313 Mass Media Law **OR** CO 4323 Mass Media & Society
- CO Upper Division Elective
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NOTE: CO 1223 Intro. to Comm. Theory must be taken before:

- CO 4203 Nonverbal Communication
- CO 4223 Advanced Communication Theory
- CO 4243 Rhetorical Theory

UPPER DIVISION ELECTIVES: “Upper Division” classes are labeled 3000-4000 level. Students are required to take 31 upper division hours in the College of Arts & Sciences. The communication studies curriculum provides 30 hours of upper division classes. The additional required hour may be made up with a humanities, social science, and/or general elective course.

GENERAL ELECTIVES: To graduate, a student must pass 124 hours overall. Most of these hours are met with required Arts & Sciences classes and required communication classes. To reach 124 hours, students will need to take some general electives. See your advisor for more information.