



Communication Studies Transfer Pathway AA

Are you passionate about developing connections and engaging with other people? The Communication Studies Transfer Pathway AA may be right for you!

You will develop a wide variety of interpersonal and professional communication skills including:

- *Public speaking and presentation development
- *Interpersonal and intercultural relationship building and maintenance
- *Group communication, conflict management, and leadership skills
- *Creation and presentation of narratives, persuasive communication, and debate
- *Analysis of media and social media communication.
- *Campaign and crisis communication

Communication Studies Transfer Pathway Curriculum

Curriculum

Program Courses

Course Code	Title	Course Outlines	Goal Areas	Credits
COMM 1010	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	View-COMM 1010	n/a	3
COMM 1110	Principles of Interpersonal Communication	View-COMM 1110	n/a	3
COMM 1210	Small Group Communication	View-COMM 1210	n/a	3
COMM 1310	Intercultural Communication	View-COMM 1310	n/a	3
COMM 1910	Argumentation and Public Advocacy	View-COMM 1910	n/a	3

Program Electives

Course Code	Title	Course Outlines	Goal Areas	Credits
Students may choose one more of the following courses. These courses will show in additional electives. It is not required but recommended to choose one course.				
COMM 1410	Human Communication Theory	View-COMM 1410	n/a	3
COMM 1610	Introduction to Mass Communication	View-COMM 1610	n/a	3
COMM 1810	Introduction to Health Communication	View-COMM 1810	n/a	3

General Education Courses

Course Code	Title	Course Outlines	Goal Areas	Credits
College Writing I				
ENGL 1200	Gateway College Writing or	View-ENGL 1200	n/a	4
ENGL 1201	College Writing I	View-ENGL 1201	n/a	4
ENGL 1202	College Writing II or	View-ENGL 1202	n/a	2
ENGL 1203	College Writing II with Workshop	View-ENGL 1203	n/a	2
SOC 1110	Introduction to Sociology	View-SOC 1110	n/a	3
1 course from PSYC1150, PSYC1160				
PSYC 1150	General Psychology or	View-PSYC 1150	n/a	3
PSYC 1160	Introduction to Psychology	View-PSYC 1160	n/a	4

MnTC Electives

Natural Science (Goal Area 3) - 2 courses, 7 credits from 2 different disciplines, one must be a lab course and
Mathematical/Logical Reasoning (Goal Area 4) - 1 course, at least 3 credits
Highly Recommended- MATH 1010, 1130, 1140
History the Social Behavioral Sciences (Goal Area 5) - 1 course, 3 credits
Humanities Fine Arts (Goal Area 6) - 3 courses from 2 different disciplines, 9 credits
Ethical Civic Responsibility (Goal Area 9) - 1 course, at least 3 credits
Very Highly recommended courses-COMM 1610, COMM1810
People the Environment (Goal Area 10) - 1 course, at least 3 credits
Highly recommended - ANTH 1020, GCST 1040
Additional Electives, if needed, to reach 40 total MnTC credits
Natural Science - 2 courses, 7 credits from 2 different disciplines, one must be a lab course and

Health Requirement

Health Exercise Science - 2 credits
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NHCC Residency and GPA

15 Credits must be earned at NHCC	
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Total Credits Required	60
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Program Overview

2024-2025

The Communication Studies Transfer Pathway Degree is designed to provide students a broad background in theory and skills development in the study of communication. This program will 1) prepare students to transfer to a baccalaureate program in Communication Studies and 2) prepares students for entry level positions in a variety of careers. The program emphasizes the development of communication skills in presentation, promotion, conflict management, persuasion, debate, and campaign communication.

Minnesota State Universities: Bemidji State University, Metropolitan State University, Minnesota State University Mankato, Minnesota State University Moorhead, Southwest Minnesota State University, St. Cloud State University, Winona State University.

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this degree, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the transactional nature of communication and identify the core principles of communication studies. (ELO 1 & 3)
 - Demonstrate knowledge of the role of context in the communication of effective self-presentation, audience analysis, and relational maintenance and development. (ELO 1 & 2)
 - Effectively structure and deliver oral presentations, including identification of appropriate organizational structure, selection and citation of supporting content, and anticipation and refutation of opposing arguments. (ELO 2 & 4)
 - Demonstrate intercultural knowledge and flexibility in communication across a variety of audiences across cultures. (ELO 2 & 3)
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Program Maps

Program roadmaps provide students with a guide to understand the recommended course sequence to complete their degree.

- [Communication Studies Transfer Pathway AA Program Roadmap Full Time](#)
 - [Communication Studies Transfer Pathway AA Program Roadmap Part Time](#)
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Career Opportunities

Information on careers, including career descriptions, salary data, and employment outlook is available on the [Bureau of Labor Statistics website](#) and [O*Net Online website](#).

Transfer Information

If you are planning on transferring to another institution, follow the guidelines available on our transfer resources web page to help you plan the process: [Transfer Information](#)

Degree Information

The Associate of Arts (A.A.) is awarded for successful completion of 60 credits and is designed to constitute the first two years of a liberal arts bachelor degree program. An A.A. degree includes the entire 40 credit Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) as the general education requirement. Students may also choose to concentrate in a particular field of study in preparation for a planned major or professional emphasis at a four year college by following the pre major requirement of the desired transfer institution in addition to the MnTC and A.A. requirements.

A student shall:

- Earn a minimum of 60 semester credits.
- Earn a grade point average of 2.00 (C) or higher in courses taken at North Hennepin Community College.
- Earn a minimum of 20 semester credits of the 60 semester credits required for the A.A. Degree at NHCC.
- Complete the general education distribution requirement listed in the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum. The student shall select general education (MnTC) courses numbered 1000 or above to complete a minimum of 40 credits.
- Have four years in which to complete their work under the terms of the catalog in effect at the time of their first enrollment.
- Students taking more than four years to complete their graduation requirements may follow any catalog in effect during the four year period preceding their date of graduation.

Required A.A. Degree Course Distribution:

- Complete 40 credits in the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum satisfying the requirements for each of the 10 goal areas.

- Complete at least 2 credits for the Wellness requirement from either Health (all courses) or Physical Education (all courses).

If the student intends to transfer, he/she is encouraged to work with an advisor to fulfill requirements for transfer to the other institution.

Completion of an A.A. degree fulfills the Goal Area 2 requirement of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC).

Developmental Courses Some students may need preparatory course(s) in Math and/or English. Courses numbered below 1000 will not apply toward a degree.

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Accreditation

North Hennepin Community College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (hlcommission.org), an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

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