



Mass Communication Transfer Pathway AA

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Required Program Courses

Course Code	Title	Course Outlines	Goal Areas	Credits
COMM 1010	Fundamentals of Public Speaking and	View-COMM 1010	n/a	3
COMM 1310	Intercultural Communication and	View-COMM 1310	n/a	3
COMM 1610	Introduction to Mass Communication and	View-COMM 1610	n/a	3
COMM 2610	Introduction to Public Relations and Strategic Communication and	View-COMM 2610	n/a	3
ENGL 1800	Introduction to Journalism	View-ENGL 1800	n/a	3

Program Electives (Choose 6-9 Credits)

Course Code	Title	Course Outlines	Goal Areas	Credits
ART 1270	Digital Video Production or	View-ART 1270	n/a	3
ART 2561	Web Design I or	View-ART 2561	n/a	3
BUS 1620	Advertising and Sales Promotion or	View-BUS 1620	n/a	3
COMM 1550	Video Game Entertainment or	View-COMM 1550	n/a	3
COMM 1810	Introduction to Health Communication or	View-COMM 1810	n/a	3
TFT 1270	Digital Video Production	View-TFT 1270	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 and	View-ENGL 1203	n/a	2
PSYC 1150	General Psychology and	View-PSYC 1150	n/a	3
SOC 1110	Introduction to Sociology and	View-SOC 1110	n/a	3
Natural Science - 2 courses, 7 credits from 2 different disciplines, one must be a lab course and				
Mathematics/Logical Reasoning (Goal Area 4) - 3 credits and				
History the Social Behavioral Sciences (Goal Area 5) - 3 credits				
Humanities Fine Arts - 2 courses, 6-9 credits, from at least 2 different disciplines (ART 1050, ART/TFT 1270, ART/COMM 1550, MUSC 1350, MUSC 1370, TFT 1250, TFT 1320) and				
People the Environment - 3 credits (ANTH 1020 GEOG 1010 Recommended) and				
Health Exercise Science - 2 credits				
Total Credits Required			60	

Program Overview

2024-2025

The Mass Communication AA at NHCC helps students develop knowledge and skills to participate in an ever-changing, multidisciplinary media environment. Our program emphasizes the core values of ethics, creativity, cultural diversity, socialization, and representation in the media and prepares students with the foundational skills to continue on to a 4-year degree or enter the workforce in a digital or social media position.

NHCC's Mass Communication program directly transfers to designated bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State Universities. All courses in the Transfer Pathway associate degree will directly transfer and apply to the designated bachelor's degree programs in a related field.

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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