# COMMUNICATION - BA

## Program Requirements

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Minor 6 3

General elective 1

Semester Credit Hours 15

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Government/Political science (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science) 3
Life and physical sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences) 3
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Semester Credit Hours 15

Total Semester Credit Hours 120

1. First semester, first time in college students must take COMM 101 and COMM 291.
2. Minimum grade of C required.
3. Complete 14 hours of a foreign language (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/) through the intermediate level. If you choose to enroll in a language you have studied previously without receiving college credit, you must first take a placement test. See academic advisor.
4. ENGL 203 will count toward the Communication requirement or the Literature directed elective requirement, but not both.
5. COMM course may not be used to fulfill this requirement.
6. Minor to be selected from among approved university minors. Consult with advisor regarding how to declare desired minor. Courses fulfilling core curriculum requirements may apply to the minor and therefore some of these courses may become electives. Minors will range between 15 and 18 hours.

Graduation requirements include 3 hours of International and Cultural Diversity (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/) courses and 3 hours of Cultural Discourse (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/cultural-discourse-requirements/) courses. A course satisfying a Core category, a college/department requirement, or a free elective can be used to satisfy this requirement. The required 6 hours may be met by courses satisfying other areas of a degree program. See your academic advisor for further information.

Included in graduation requirements are the following stipulations:

1. A minimum of 2.0 GPR
2. Minimum grade of C in each course applied to the major
3. Minimum of 12 hours of upper-level COMM coursework at Texas A&M

Teaching Certification

Students desiring certification to teach communication in secondary schools of Texas may either major in communication (College of Liberal

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Total Semester Credit Hours 27

Additional education courses are required. More complete information on the requirements for teacher certification may be found in the College of Education and Human Development section under secondary teacher certification.