



Interpersonal & Small Group Communication
(Communication Studies General Concentration--COMS)
Fall 2008-Spring 2010 Catalog

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Total Units Required: 39

Required Lower Division Core Courses (9 units)

- (3) COMS 2 Argumentation
- (3) COMS 8 Interpersonal Communication Skills
- (3) COMS 55 Media Communication and Society

Required Upper Division Core Courses (9 units)

- (3) COMS 100A Survey of Communication Studies
- (3) COMS 100B Critical Analysis of Messages (COMS 2 and 4; ENGL 20; WPE passing score; COMS 100A may be taken concurrently)
- (3) COMS 100C Introduction to Scientific Methods in Communication Research (COMS 100A may be taken concurrently)

Option Core Requirements (9 units)

- (3) COMS 105 Communication in Small Groups

Select **one** of the following:

- (3) COMS 143 Theories of Interpersonal Communication (COMS 8; COMS 100A -- may be taken concurrently) **OR**
- (3) COMS 163 Communication, Self and Society (COMS 8; COMS 100A -- may be taken concurrently)

Select **one** of the following:

- (3) COMS 181 Senior Seminar in Small Group Communication (COMS 105; 12 units of COMS upper division including 100A) **OR**
- (3) COMS 182 Senior Seminar in Interpersonal Communication (COMS 8; 12 units of COMS upper division including 100A)

Research Methods (3 units)

Select **one** of the following:

- (3) COMS 164 Visual Communication (COMS 100B)
- (3) COMS 168 Approaches to Rhetorical Criticism (COMS 100B)
- (3) COMS 169 Television Criticism (COMS 100B)
- (3) COMS 170 Data Analysis in Communication Research (COMS 100C)
- (3) COMS 171 Survey Methods in Communication Research (COMS 100C)
- (3) COMS 172 Content Analysis (COMS 100C)

Electives (9 units)

Upper division Communication Studies courses selected in consultation with your major advisor.

People interested in this area of Communication Studies often choose courses from the following electives:

- (3) COMS 108 Family Communication (COMS 8 or FACS 50 or SOC 166)
- (3) COMS 116 Intercultural Communication
- (3) COMS 119 Conflict Resolution Through Communication
- (3) COMS 162 Gender Ideology and Communication
- (3) COMS 166 Theories of Persuasion and Attitude Change
- (3) COMS 175 Creative Problem Solving
- (1-6) COMS 195 Internship in Communication Studies (COMS 100A)
- (3) COMS 198 Honors Seminar (See current catalog for pre-requisites)

**NOTES: No more than 6 units of COMS 110, 111, 195 and/or 199 can be applied to the major requirements.
You will need 40 units of upper division (numbers above 100 at CSUS) course work to graduate.**