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Major: Communication Studies, BA

Students learn how to create messages and how to understand communication in different contexts. The major helps students understand the various contexts that shape our communication experiences.

What skills do students develop in this program?

Students learn presentation skills, listening skills, how to make sense of the contexts that shape our communication, and how to make ethical choices about communication messages.

What kind of student is a good fit for Communication Studies?

The major covers a broad range of contexts from dating relationships to larger environmental and urban contexts. Students who are curious and want to blend skill-based learning with the contemplation of larger ideas will enjoy this major.

Are there any popular classes in the program that you would suggest or recommended classes for a student who is just starting to explore the major?

- CMNS 230: Performance, Creativity, and the Body
- CMNS 251: Organizational Communication
- CMNS 315: Health Communication
- CMNS 320: Deceptive Communication.

What are examples of internships and/or research opportunities that students in this major are currently working on or have access to as majors in this program?

Students intern with social media companies, event planning organizations, local sports organizations, arts groups, small companies, non-profits, and large corporations. The blend of skills-based learning and a range of communication theories that students learn in Communication Studies leads to a lot of exciting internship opportunities.

What are students doing after graduation?

Career paths for graduates of Communications Studies are as varied as the major. Examples of areas alumni work in include arts organizations, consultancy groups, health care, human resources, corporate green planning, music business, and sales and marketing.

Other interesting facts about the Communication Studies major?

Communication Studies faculty are committed teachers. Faculty members enjoy working with students and helping students link their everyday experiences to communication theories.