

Departmental Honors in Communication

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Admission Requirements:

To be admitted into candidacy for an honors degree in Communication Studies (including Communication Education), Mass Communication, Journalism, or Public Relations a student must meet the following qualifications:

1. File an application;
2. Must be a major or minor of at least sophomore standing;
3. Must have completed 9 semester hours of course work in the major;
4. Must have a minimum GPA of 3.3 overall and 3.5 in the major;
5. Must have the written recommendation of at least one departmental faculty member;
6. Must have the approval of the Departmental Director Honors;
7. Must be a member of the **university** honors program.

Requirements for Completion:

To be graduated with an Honors degree in one of the four majors in the department, a student must meet the following requirements:

1. Must have completed the general requirements for a major in Communication Studies (including Communication Education), Mass Communication, Journalism, or Public Relations;
2. Maintain the admission qualifications or minimum GPA to the end of the senior year;
3. Must have completed a minimum of 9 semester hours of honors-level work in one of the Department majors including each of the following;
 - a. In Course Honors in Communication Research Methods (COM 297) OR Independent Research in Communication (COM 296).
 - b. One Honors Seminar offered by the department OR one course with 3-hours in course honors credit within the Department of Communication.
 - c. Honors Independent Study (COM 299) or Undergraduate Thesis (IDS 395), completed with a public presentation and a grade of 'A', 3 semester hours.

A waiver of one or more of the above requirements for completion may be granted in specific cases with the approval of the Chairperson of the School of Communication.

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