

KEENE STATE COLLEGE
BACHELOR OF ARTS
COMMUNICATION
COMMUNICATION STUDIES OPTION

It is the student's responsibility to follow the **official** requirements of the degree, found in the Keene State College catalog. This planning sheet is for advising purposes.

Name: _____ Student I.D.

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Institution(s)

Attended: _____ Credits: _____

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I. **GENERAL EDUCATION** 42 credits minimum

A. **English Language Competence: Eng 101 is required of all students.**

ENG 101: _____

B **Arts & Humanities:** A minimum of five courses totaling at least 15 credits as follows:

One course in Literature _____

One course in literature, which may be any 200 or 300-level English course except 202, 203, 204, 208, 301, 302, 303, 304, 308, 312. FR 303 and Spanish 303 may also be used to fulfill this requirement.

HIST _____ ART, FILM, MU or TAD _____

Two courses from Arts & Humanities disciplines: AMST, ART, COMM, ENG, FILM, FR, GER, HIST, JRN, ML, MU, PHIL, SP, TAD or an approved interdisciplinary course (WS 201* or an IDAH course).

C. **Social Sciences:** A minimum of four courses totaling at least 12 credits in **three** or More of the Social Science disciplines: ECON, GEOG, POSC, PSYC, SOC or an approved interdisciplinary course (WS 201* or an IDSS course).

D. **Sciences/Math:** A minimum of four courses totaling at least 12 credits as follows: One course in BIOLOGY. One course in a PHYSICAL SCIENCE (ASTR, CHEM, GEOL, MET, PHYS). Two courses from Sciences/Math disciplines: ASTR, BIO, CHEM, CS, ENST, GEOL, MATH, MET, PHYS or an approved interdisciplinary course (designated IDSM).

BIO _____ PHYSICAL SCIENCE _____

* WS 201 may be used only once, to fulfill either an Arts & Humanities or Social Science General Education requirement.

II. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS 39 CREDITS

Courses taken for the Communications major may not count toward the Arts and Humanities component (B) of General Education. However, students may take additional courses in Communication, Film, Journalism or Philosophy to fulfill specific Arts & Humanities requirements of General Education. Communication majors may minor in Journalism, Philosophy or Film and count courses used for the major toward a minor, however credits may not count twice.

The application for formal admission to the Communication major typically occurs during the first or second semester of the sophomore year. To be admitted to the major, the student must have completed PHIL 100, COMM 175, and either JRN 200 or FILM 270. The student must earn a grade of at least a C in the three courses and achieve an average GPA of at least 2.5 in the three courses. The student must provide a transcript showing his or her grades to a Communication advisor. If the grade requirements are met; the advisor will sign the declaration of major form, which formally admits the student to the major.

Majors must demonstrate proficiency in a modern language other than English. This may be done through either satisfactory completion of a standardized exam (e.g. department exam, CLEP, AP) or by satisfactory completion of one semester of a modern language at the intermediate level or higher. Courses taken to complete this requirement may be used to fulfill Arts & Humanities General Education requirements.

Communication Core (12 credits)

INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR 3 credits

PHIL 100: Logical Argumentation _____ 3
COMM 175: Prin. of Communication _____ 3

INTRODUCTION TO AREA STUDIES 9 credits

FILM 270: Introduction Film Analysis _____ 3
JRN 200: Intro to Mass Media _____ 3

Communication Studies Option (27 credits)

ETHICS Select one of the following: 3 credits

COMM 477: Ethics in Communication _____ 3
PHIL 220: Ethics _____ 3
PHIL/JRN 322: Media Ethics _____ 3

THEORY Select one of the following: 3 credits

COMM 376: Theory Comm. & Rhetoric _____ 3
PHIL 350: Aesthetics _____ 3

FILM 355: Film Theory _____ 3
JRN 310: Mass Media History & Theory _____ 3

APPLICATION SEQUENCE Select one of the following two course sequences: 6 credits

COMM 171: Fundamentals of Speech _____ 3
& COMM 371: Adv. Public Speaking _____ 3

PHIL 200: Philosophy and Critical Analysis _____ 3
& PHIL 300: Ancient Philosophy

FILM 250: Film Production I _____ 3
& FILM 350: Film Production II _____ 3

OR PHIL 301: Medieval & Renaissance Phil.
OR PHIL 302: Modern Philosophy
OR PHIL 304: American Philosophy _____ 3

JRN 201: News Writing I _____ 3
& JRN 301: News Writing II _____ 3

PHIL 306: Existentialism _____ 3
& PHIL 406: Existentialism & Film _____ 3

JRN 201: News Writing I _____ 3
& JRN 302: Broadcast Journalism _____ 3

BREADTH COURSES One (1) course required from each of two different areas 6 credits*

COMM 171: Fundamentals of Speech _____ 3
COMM 250: Children and the Media _____ 3
COMM 275: Interpersonal Comm. _____ 3
COMM 290: Special Topics _____ 3
COMM 371: Advanced Pub. Speaking _____ 3
COMM 375: Bus. & Prof. Comm. _____ 3
FILM 271: Intro Film History _____ 3
JRN 201: Newswriting I _____ 3
JRN 290: Special Topics _____ 3

JRN 301: Newswriting II _____ 3
JRN 302: Broadcast Journalism _____ 3
PHIL 300: Ancient Philosophy _____ 3
PHIL 301: Medieval & Renaissance Phil. _____ 3
PHIL 302: Modern Philosophy _____ 3
PHIL 304: American Philosophy _____ 3
PHIL 308: Contemporary Philosophy _____ 3
PHIL 360: Philosophy of Law _____ 3

DEPTH COURSES Two (2) courses required from the following: 6 credits*

COMM 475: Persuasion _____ 3
COMM 476: Group Interaction _____ 3
COMM 490: Advanced Special Topics _____ 3
COMM 495: Seminar _____ 3
FILM 352: Genres and Directors _____ 3
FILM 490: Advanced Special Topics _____ 3
FILM 495: Seminar _____ 3

JRN 401: Feature Writing _____ 3
JRN 408: Television Journalism _____ 3
JRN 410: Public Affairs Reporting _____ 3
JRN 446: Community Television News _____ 3
JRN 490: Advanced Special Topics _____ 3
PHIL 390: Philos. Masters (approx. topics) _____ 3
PHIL 490: Adv. Special Topics (approved) _____ 3
PHIL 495: Seminar (fi an approved topic) _____ 3

8. ALSO REQUIRED: 3 crs
COMM 479: Senior Project _____ 3

* Courses taken to fulfill any other major requirement may not be used to fulfill this requirement.

III. ELECTIVES: minimum 39 credits

If you wish to use transferred courses toward major/minor requirements you must use the course substitution process. Contact the Academic and Career Advising Center for more information.