

University of Northern Iowa
Department of Communication Studies—Political Communication Major
2019-2020 Degree Requirements—39 Hours – Joint major with Political Science

Full declaration requirements:

- ✓ Completion of at least 24 hours of course work including Oral Communication (COMM 1000) and College Writing and Research (ENGLISH 1005) or their equivalents
- ✓ File a New Declaration of Curriculum with the Department of Communication Studies or Department of Political Science

Required Courses: Communication Studies (12 hrs.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM COR 1010	Mass Communication and Society	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4211	Rhetoric and Civic Culture (Sr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4216/POL AMER 4160	Political Communication (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4444	Communication, Community, and Change (Sr.)	3 hrs.

Required Courses: Political Science (9 hrs.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 1014	Introduction to American Politics	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 3112	Campaigns and Elections	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 3150	Public Opinion and Voting Behavior	3 hrs.

Methodology: Select one (3 hrs.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM COR 2020	Communication Research Methods **	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4023	Rhetorical Research Methods (COMM COR 2020 or ENGLISH 2120; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL GEN 2010	Analyzing Politics	3 hrs.

Internship: Select one (3 hrs.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 3900	Internship in Communication (Dept. consent; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL GEN 3181	Internship in Politics (POL GEN 2010; 15 hrs. of political science; Political Science, Political Communication, or Public Administration major; Jr; dept. consent)	3 hrs.

Electives: Select TWO (2) courses from Communication Studies and TWO (2) courses from Political Science from the following list (12 hrs. total)

Communication Studies: (Choose 2)

<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 2257	Argumentation and Debate **	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 3055	Organizational Communication **	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4217	Freedom of Speech (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4218	Persuasion	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4333	Communication & Conflict Management (COMM 2344; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4344	Intercultural Communication (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4446	Social Protest: Performance & Rhetoric (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 4544	Digital Culture and Communication (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4612	Digital Media Processes and Effects (COMM COR 2020; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 1611	Digital Media Literacies (COMM COR 1010)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4630	Journalism Law and Ethics (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM DM 4644	Global Mass Communication Systems (COMM COR 1010; Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM PR 1811	Principles of Public Relations **	3 hrs.

Political Science: (Choose 2)

<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 2131	American State Politics	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 3132	Community Politics (Soph.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 3134	Legislative Politics (POL AMER 1014)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 3144	Civil Rights and Liberties	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 3151	Modern Presidency (POL AMER 1014)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 3166	Political Parties and Interest Groups (POL AMER 1014)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 4143	Citizen Participation and Civic Engagement (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL AMER 4177	Political Psychology (Jr.)	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL INTL 3126	Human Rights	3 hrs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL INTL 3143	International Law	3 hrs.

** These courses have prerequisites of COMM 1000 and ENGLISH 1005 or ENGLISH 1015 or ENGLISH 2120 or the Cornerstone equivalent.

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Plan of Study Political Communication Major

Semester One			
POL AMER 1014	Introduction to American Politics		3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core		12 hrs.
		Total	15 hrs.
Semester Two			
COMM COR 1010	Mass Communication and Society		3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core		12 hrs.
		Total	15 hrs.
Semester Three			
COMM 4216/ POL AMER 4160	Political Communication (Jr.)		3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core		12 hrs.
		Total	15 hrs.
Semester Four			
	Methodology Option (see reverse side)		3 hrs.
	Liberal Arts Core		6 hrs.
	University Electives		6 hrs.
		Total	15 hrs.
Semester Five			
POL AMER 3112	Campaign and Elections		3 hrs.
	Political Science Elective (see reverse side)		3 hrs.
	Communication Studies Elective (see reverse side)		3 hrs.
	University Electives		6 hrs.
		Total	15 hrs.
Semester Six			
	Communication Studies Elective (see reverse side)		3 hrs.
COMM 4211	Rhetoric and Civic Culture (Sr.)		3 hrs.
POL AMER 3150	Public Opinion and Voting Behavior		3 hrs.
	University Electives		6 hrs.
		Total	15 hrs.
Semester Seven			
	Liberal Arts Core Capstone		3 hrs.
COMM 3900 OR	Internship in Communication		
POL GEN 3181	Internship in Politics		3 hrs.
	University Electives		9-10 hrs.
		Total	15-16 hrs.
Semester Eight			
COMM 4444	Communication, Community and Change (Sr.)		3 hrs.
	Political Science Elective (see reverse side)		3 hrs.
	University Electives		9 hrs.
		Total	15 hrs.
		Total Hours	120-121 hrs.