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[2016/17](#)

**CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Communication Studies, A.A.**  
**Middlesex Community College**

**Please contact a campus advisor for this program:**

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**These requirements are effective if you declared this major for the 2016/17 or 2017/18 academic year.**

**With this degree you will be able to transfer to the following majors. Follow this [link](#) for important information about when and how to apply for transfer to a State University or Charter Oak State College.**

At Central Connecticut State University:	Strategic Communications, B.A.
At Eastern Connecticut State University:	Communication, B.S.
At Southern Connecticut State University:	Communication – Advertising and Promotions, B.S. Communication – Film, Television, and Digital Production, B.S. Personal and Professional Communication, B.S.
At Western Connecticut State University:	Communication – Communication Studies, B.A.
At Charter Oak State College:	General Studies – Communication Concentration, B.A.

Here is the recommended course of study for the **Communication Studies Transfer Degree**. If you are studying part time, simply follow the order of the courses listed here. Note that not all courses will be available every semester. You will notice that in many instances you will be able to choose the specific course you will take from within a category. For a list of the courses from each category that you can choose from, go to [Appendix \(PDF\)](#).

<b>First Semester:</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
COM 101 Introduction to Mass Communication	3 credits
ENG 101 Composition	3 credits
Choose one <b>Historical Knowledge and Understanding</b> course	3 credits
Choose one <b>Aesthetic Dimensions</b> course	3 credits
One Unrestricted Elective*	3 credits
<b>Second Semester:</b>	<b>15-16 credits</b>
COM 173 Public Speaking (You are recommended to use this course to fulfill the Oral Communication requirement; see the fourth semester. If you use this course for the Oral Communication requirement, you will have an additional 3 credits of open electives to complete.)	3 credits
Choose one <b>Social Phenomena</b> course	3 credits
Choose one <b>Scientific Reasoning</b> course	3-4 credits
Choose one <b>Quantitative Analysis</b> course	3 credits
One Unrestricted Elective*	3 credits

**Begin the [transfer application process](#) in your third semester or the semester before you plan to graduate. FAFSA becomes available October 1.**

**Third Semester: 15-16 credits**

Choose one of the following:	3 credits
COM 111 Scriptwriting	
COM 125 New Media Production	
COM 129 Digital Video Production	
COM 131 Audio Production	
COM 142 Television Production	
COM 153 Film Production	
COM 172 Interpersonal Communication	
COM 203 Media Literacy	
COM 226 Journalism I	
DGA 101 Introduction to Digital Arts	
DGA 111 Computer Graphics	
Choose one <b>Scientific Knowledge and Understanding</b> course	3-4 credits
Choose one <b>Written Communication II</b> course	3 credits
Choose one Communication elective	3 credits
One Unrestricted Elective*	3 credits

**During your last semester at MXCC, apply for graduation [by the dates found here](#).**

**Fourth Semester: 15 credits**

Choose one <b>Oral Communication</b> course	3 credits
(If you used COM 173 to fulfill this requirement, then complete an additional 3 credits of open electives.)	
Choose another <b>Social Phenomena</b> course	3 credits
Choose one <b>Additional General Education II – Global Knowledge</b> course	3 credits
Choose one <b>Additional General Education I – Creativity</b> course	3 credits
Choose one Communication elective	3 credits

**Here is another way to look at the degree, by requirements**

**General Education Requirements: 36-37 credits**

Unless a course is specifically designated, such as ENG 101 Composition for **Written Communication I**, you will have a choice about which course you take. For a list of the courses from each category that you can choose from, go to [Appendix \(PDF\)](#).

<b>Written Communication I:</b>	3 credits
ENG 101 Composition	
<b>Written Communication II (select one):</b>	3 credits
<b>Scientific Reasoning (select one):</b>	3-4 credits
<b>Scientific Knowledge and Understanding (select one):</b>	3-4 credits
Note: You must complete one science course that includes a lab. It can be in either science category.	
<b>Quantitative Reasoning (select one):</b>	3-4 credits

<b>Historical Knowledge and Understanding (select one):</b>	3 credits
<b>Social Phenomena (select two):</b>	6 credits
<b>Aesthetic Dimensions (select one):</b>	3 credits
<b>Oral Communication (select one):</b> (You are recommended to use COM 173 to fulfill this requirement. If you do so, you will have an additional 3 credits of open electives to complete.)	3 credits
<b>Additional General Education I – Creativity (select one):</b>	3 credits
<b>Additional General Education II – Global Knowledge (select one):</b>	3 credits

**Major Program Requirements: 15 credits**

COM 101 Introduction to Mass Communication	3 credits
COM 173 Public Speaking	3 credits
Choose one of the following:	3 credits
COM 111 Scriptwriting	
COM 125 New Media Production	
COM 129 Digital Video Production	
COM 131 Audio Production	
COM 142 Television Production	
COM 153 Film Production	
COM 172 Interpersonal Communication	
COM 203 Media Literacy	
COM 226 Journalism I	
DGA 101 Introduction to Digital Arts	
DGA 111 Computer Graphics	
Two Additional courses in communication	6 credits

**Unrestricted Electives:\* 9 credits**  
**(You will have 12 credits of open electives if you used COM 173 to fulfill the Oral Communication requirement.)**

\*You are free to choose any courses at or above 100-level to complete unrestricted electives, although you may need to use these credits to take courses that prepare you for required courses in the degree program. You should also consider using unrestricted electives to meet foreign language requirements at Central, Eastern and Western Connecticut State Universities or to begin work on completing a minor. Central Connecticut State University will require that you complete a minor by earning at least 18 credits in one area outside your major field; you must complete at least 9 of those minor credits at Central. You can also complete other General Education requirements for CCSU, SCSU, WCSU, and COSC—but not ECSU. You are encouraged to meet with your advisor to determine which courses to select.

**Communication Studies Transfer Degree Total: 60-61 credits**

**In order to graduate and be guaranteed admission to a State University or to Charter Oak State College, you must earn an overall 2.0 grade point average.**