

College of Arts and Sciences 2026-2027 Degree Worksheet

B.A. COMMUNICATION STUDIES

COLLEGE of ARTS & SCIENCES Language Requirement

All students who major in the College of Arts & Sciences are required to demonstrate competence in a second language. For complete details:

<https://www.gonzaga.edu/college-of-arts-sciences/about/information-for-students/language-requirement-information>

Credits Sem/Yr

	3
	3

UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS:

► FUNDAMENTAL CORE COURSES

Year 1: Understanding & Creating

Writing	Credits Sem/Yr
ENGL 101 Writing (fulfills 3cr Writing Enriched) ▲	3
Reasoning	
PHIL 101 Reasoning	3
First Year Seminar	
Dept. 193	3
Communication & Speech	
COMM 100 Communication & Speech	3
Math	
MATH (must be above Math 100)	3
Scientific Inquiry (2cr + 1cr lab)	
BIOL or CHEM or PHYS 104/104L (taken year 1 or 2)	3

Year 2: Being & Becoming

Christianity & Catholic Traditions	Credits Sem/Yr
RELI (see approved list)**	3
Philosophy of Human Nature	
PHIL 201 Philosophy of Human Nature	3

Year 3: Caring & Doing

World/Comparative Religion	Credits Sem/Yr
RELI (see approved list)** (fulfills 3cr Global Studies) ♦	3
Ethics	
PHIL 301 Ethics or RELI 330 Principles-Christian Morality	3

Year 4: Imagining the Possible

Core Integration Seminar	Credits Sem/Yr
Dept. 432	3

NOTE: some courses have pre-requisites, check the catalog carefully!

► BROADENING COURSES - see approved list**

Social & Behavioral Science	Credits Sem/Yr
	3
Literature	
	3
History	
	3
Fine Arts & Design	
	3

► REQUIRED COURSE DESIGNATIONS - see approved list**

▲ Writing Enriched	Credits Sem/Yr
	9 total
Social Justice	
	3 total
♦ Global Studies	
	6 total

****for list of approved RELI, Broadening & Designated courses, see :**

<https://my.gonzaga.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/general-degree-requirements-procedures/university-core>

B.A. COMMUNICATION STUDIES: 37 CREDITS

LOWER DIVISION

15 Credits

Theoretical/Conceptual Foundation Courses:

9 Credits

Course	Course Title	Credits
COMM 210	Understanding Meaning-making	3
COMM 220	Understanding Power in Culture	3
COMM 230	Understanding Identity	3

Inquiry Methods Courses:

6 Credits

Course	Course Title	Credits
COMM 275	Analyzing Public Texts	3
COMM 285/SOSJ 263	Analyzing Practices & Habits	3

UPPER DIVISION

22 Credits

4 Credits

Course	Course Title	Credits
COMM 484	Senior Seminar	3
COMM 490	Crafting Professional identity	1

ELECTIVES:

18 Credits

Select six (6) of the following courses, two (2) of which must be at the 400-level.

Course	Course Title	Credits
COMM 310	Politics of Popular Culture	3
COMM 320/INST 320	Resistance, Struggle & Power	3
COMM 330/INST 332	Politics of Space & Place	3
COMM 331/SOSJ 363	Argumentation & Debate	3
COMM 340	Encounters in Public Spheres	3
COMM 350/INST 351	Politics of Social Memory	3
COMM 360	Media Aesthetics	3
COMM 370	Digital Culture/Networked Self	3
COMM 401	Communication & Leadership	3
COMM 420	Critical/Cultural Communication	3
COMM 430	Intersectional Communication	3
COMM 440/INST 440	Rhetoric of Social Change	3
COMM 450/SOSJ 465	Justice & Arts of Civic Life	3
COMM 480	Themes in Communication	3
COMM 485	Communication Abroad*	3
COMM 497	Internship	3

NOTE: Many upper level electives may have pre-requisites.

Plan your 200-level coursework based on the upper level electives you wish to take. Check the catalog carefully.

Consult with your advisor or the Dept. Chair for assistance.

*COMM 485 is for transfer credit for select study abroad experiences