Associate of Arts Degree to BA in Communication

St. Charles Community College students who plan to transfer to Truman State University with the Associate of Arts degree are strongly encouraged to prepare for transfer by completing the courses listed below. By following this plan for degree completion, students are assured that they will be able to transfer without loss of credit or duplication of courses, that they will complete prerequisites for later course work, and that they will be prepared to make a smooth transition from St. Charles to Truman.

Students who complete the Associate of Arts degree will fulfill the Essential Skills, Modes of Inquiry, Truman Week, and Intercultural requirements of Truman’s Liberal Studies Program. Transfer students must fulfill all other degree requirements that are required of native Truman students.

Students who do not complete the courses as listed on this plan or who transfer without the Associate of Arts degree will have their coursework evaluated and applied to degree requirements on a course-by-course basis.

Students are recommended to complete the following courses to fulfill requirements for their Associate of Arts degree at St. Charles Community College:

Communication – 9 credit hours

- ENG 101 English Composition I
- ENG 102 English Composition II
- SPE 101 Oral Communication
- SPE 102 Public Speaking

Social Science – 9 credit hours

Complete one course from Group I, and one course from Group II. Select the third course from Group I, II, or III. Students must fulfill the state statute requirements for the United States and Missouri Constitutions.

Group I

- HIS 101 U.S. History to 1877
- HIS 102 U.S. History Since 1877
- HIS 115 U.S. History Since 1945 (elective at Truman but does fulfill MO Statute)
- HIS 270 History of Missouri
- POL 101 American Government
- POL 102 State and Local Government

Group II

- ANT xxx Any ANT course
- CRJ 140 Introduction to Criminal Justice System
- ECO 100 Survey Economics
- ECO 110 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 120 Principles of Microeconomics
- GEO xxx Any GEO course
- PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology
SOC 101  Introduction to Sociology
SOC 102  Introduction to Sociological Theory

**Group III**

One additional course from Group I or II

OR

HIS xxx  Any HIS course
POL xxx  Any POL course

**Humanities – 9 credit hours**

Compete one course from Group I, one course from Group II, and one additional course from Group I or Group II.

**Group I**

ART 101  Art Appreciation
ART 150  Survey of Western Art History I: Prehistory to End of the Middle Ages
ART 151  Survey of Western Art History II: Renaissance to the Twentieth Century
ART 160  Art History II (formerly called Modern and Contemporary Art History)
ART 170  Design I
MUS 110  American Music Appreciation (elective but Fine Art Mode at Truman)
MUS 111  Music Appreciation
MUS 112  Jazz Appreciation
MUS 234  Jazz History
THE 122  Introduction to the Theater

**Group II**

Taking two courses in the same foreign language will apply toward the foreign language requirement for the Communication major.

FL xxx  Any FL course
LIT xxx  Any LIT course
PHL xxx  Any PHL course

**Multicultural/Valuing – 3 credit hours**

Complete one course from the following:

Taking the third course in the same foreign language as above will apply toward the intermediate foreign language requirement for the Communication major.

FL 101  Foreign Language and Culture I
FL 102  Foreign Language and Culture II
FL 201  Foreign Language and Culture III
FL 202  Foreign Language and Culture IV

OR

ANT 102  Intro to Cultural Anthropology
ANT 151  World Archaeology
ANT 202  Current Debates in Anthropology
ESL 102  ESL: Intermediate Composition for Non-Native Speakers
GEO 100  Principles of Geography
HIS 145 Western Civilization, Ancient and Medieval Heritage
HIS 146 Western Civilizations, Modern European Heritage
LIT 200 World Mythology
LIT 271 Contemporary Voices of Global Literature
LIT 272 World Literature: Ancient World Through the Renaissance
LIT 273 World Literature: Enlightenment to the 20th Century
MUS 111 Music Appreciation
PHL 201 World Religion
POL 201 International Relations
POL 210 Comparative Politics
POL 255 European Politics and Culture

Mathematics – 3-5 credit hours

Complete one course from the following:
MAT 160 College Algebra
MAT 171 Pre-Calculus Mathematics
MAT 180 Calculus and Analytic Geometry
MAT 210 Survey of Calculus

Natural Science - 7 credit hours

Complete one course from Group I and one course from Group II including at least one lab

Group I
BIO 101/103 General Biology I and Lab
BIO 105/106 Essentials of Biology and Lab
BIO 125/127 General Botany and Lab
BIO 150 General Biology I and Lab
BIO 160 General Botany and Lab

Group II
CHM 101/103 Introduction to Chemistry and Lab
CHM 110/113 General Chemistry I and Lab
CHM 115 General Chemistry I (includes Lab)
PHY 105/107 Environmental Geology with Lab
PHY 111/113 Introduction to Physical Science and Lab
PHY 125/127 Introduction to Physical Geology with Lab
PHY 130/131 Astronomy and Lab
PHY 150/153 General Physics I and Lab
PHY 225/227 Historical Geology with Lab
PHY 240/243 College Physics I and Lab

Computer Literacy Requirement – 3 credit hours

Complete one course from the following:
BAS 103 Microcomputer Applications
CPT 103 Microcomputer Applications
CPT 115 Introduction to Data Processing
EDU 220 Educational Technology

Capstone – 1 credit hour

COL 299 Sophomore Portfolio Assessment

Transferable Major Field Requirements – 19+ credit hours
From the following courses, choose courses to total 64 credits for the degree.

COM 102 Introduction to Mass Communication
MAT 175 Introductory Statistics

Satisfactorily complete the second year of a single foreign language (FL 202), or demonstrate intermediate proficiency as determined by a CLEP examination.

FL 102 Foreign Language and Culture II
FL 201 Foreign Language and Culture III
FL 202 Foreign Language and Culture IV

Journalism or Public Communication interest
JRN 240 Writing for the Print Media
COM 115 Introduction to Public Relations
COM 260 Video Production for the Media

Communication Studies interest
SPE 110 Interpersonal Communication

Total credits required for the Associate of Arts degree: 64

After completing the Associate of Arts degree at St. Charles Community College, students will then complete the following courses at Truman State University to earn the Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication. Students may transfer any of the following 100-200 level equivalent coursework from SCC provided the 28 hours residency requirement, the 45 hours of Truman coursework, and the major hour requirements for Truman are met.

Junior Interdisciplinary Writing-Enhanced Seminar (JINS) – 3 credit hours

Bachelor of Arts Requirements – 0-6 credit hours

Complete the second year of a single foreign language, or demonstrate intermediate proficiency as determined by a CLEP exam, or successfully complete a higher-level foreign language course. Students who have completed FL 202 at SCC have fulfilled this requirement.

Major Requirements – 24-36 credit hours

COMM 240 Principles of Communication
COMM 382 Communication Theory
COMM 495 Communication Ethics (capstone)
**Electives – 0-9 Credit Hours**
Some of these courses may have been completed at SCC. Six hours of these elective hours must be at the 300-level or higher.

**Methods – 3 credit hours**

*Communication Studies Emphasis* - Choose 1 of the following:
- COMM 360  Rhetorical Criticism
- COMM 392  Experimental Methods and Survey Research

*Journalism Emphasis* - Choose 1 of the following:
- COMM 350  Media Criticism
- COMM 392  Experimental Methods and Survey Research

*Public Communication Emphasis:*
- COMM 392  Experimental Methods and Survey Research

**Area of Emphasis – 15-16 hours**
Some of these courses may have been completed at SCC.

*Communication Studies - 15 credit hours*
- COMM 252  Interpersonal Communication
- COMM 357  Survey of Rhetoric
- COMM 471  Persuasion Theory

And **TWO** of the following:
- COMM 315  Family Communication
- COMM 365  Argumentation
- COMM 370  Group Process
- COMM 375  Rhetoric and Medicine
- COMM 385  American Rhetorical Traditions
- COMM 390  Classical Rhetoric
- COMM 401  Rhetoric of Women's Rights
- COMM 420  Intercultural Communication
- COMM 429  Political Communication
- COMM 490  Contemporary Rhetoric

*Journalism - 15 credit hours*
- COMM 251  Media Writing
- COMM 349  News Reporting and Writing
- COMM 355  Broadcast Production
- COMM 455  Media Law

*Public Communication - 16 credit hours*
- COMM 251  Media Writing
- COMM 455  Media Law
COMM 471  Persuasion Theory

And TWO of the following:
COMM 353  Critical Perspectives on Public Relations
COMM 375  Rhetoric and Medicine
COMM 429  Political Communication
COMM 442  Publication Design and Layout
COMM 454  Advertising
COMM 480  Organizational Communication

Writing-Enhanced Requirement

Complete at least two additional courses at Truman, in addition to the JINS course, that are listed as Writing-Enhanced. These courses may be used to fulfill other requirements.

Total credits required for the Baccalaureate of Arts degree: 120

Additional Information:
To become a Communication major, students must have a 2.0 overall GPA and not be on academic probation. Students entering the major are required to take the examination for placement in fulfilling the Public Speaking Essential Skills requirement unless they have previously completed the requirement. No grade of “D” in major courses will be accepted toward completion of a Communication major.

Minimum GPA required: 2.00
Residency Requirements: For a Truman degree, at least 45 hours of credit must be completed in residence at Truman, including at least 15 hours of coursework in the major. In addition, the last 28 hours applied toward the degree must be completed in residence at Truman. Students must also complete at least 40 hours of 300+ level coursework.

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