

## REGISTRATION GUIDE for majors who declared as a freshman

<u>Freshman Year</u>	<u>Sophomore Year</u>	<u>Junior Year</u>	<u>Senior Year</u>
<p>Some students declare the Communication major in the summer of the freshman year. If you declare before fall semester, you should consider the following schedule:</p> <p>Fall schedule: CO010-Rhetorical Tradition and four courses that count towards your Arts &amp; Sciences core</p> <p>Spring schedule: CO020-Survey of Mass Communication and four courses that count towards your Arts &amp; Sciences core</p> <p>Some students declare the Communication major during the freshman year. If you did not take CO010-Rhetorical Tradition in the fall semester, you should definitely register for this course during the spring.</p>	<p>If a student has already completed the first two requirements in the communication major, the student should take the two remaining required core classes CO030-Public Speaking and CO350-Research Methods. The four common requirements should be completed before taking any other courses in the major.</p> <p>After completing the common requirements (CO010, CO020, CO030, and CO350), a sophomore major should take a theory course (CO370-CO380), a cluster course, OR begin the elective courses.</p> <p>Sophomore majors should not take writing-intensive seminars (CO425-CO475). These advanced courses are intended for junior and senior majors.</p> <p>In addition to completing the common requirements, a major should try to complete the A &amp; S core requirements by the end of the sophomore year.</p>	<p>By the end of junior year, majors should have completed not only the four common requirements (CO010, CO020, CO030, and CO350), but also the cluster and theory requirements.</p> <p>Junior majors should take one of the two required writing-intensive seminars. Writing intensive-seminars are numbered between CO425-CO475. Majors are strongly advised not to take both writing-intensive seminars in the same semester as each class requires a 25-page research paper.</p> <p>Junior majors should select their electives to create an area of emphasis. So, for example, a major might take News Writing and Feature Writing to create an emphasis on Journalism. An emphasis table is available on the department's web site.</p> <p>Communication Honors Program. Majors with a 3.75 GPA should seriously consider the Honors Program. Honors information is available on the department's web site.</p> <p>Junior Year Abroad. Some majors choose to study abroad for one semester of their junior year. If you are interested in pursuing this option, contact the Communication Counselor, Roger Woolsey &lt;woolseyr@bc.edu&gt;, to discuss programs and course approvals.</p>	<p>Senior majors should be finishing up their coursework. Review your degree audit to make sure you have satisfied all requirements for the major. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• four common requirements (CO010, CO020, CO030, and CO350)</li> <li>• a cluster course</li> <li>• a theory course (CO370-CO380)</li> <li>• two writing-intensive seminars (CO427-CO475)</li> <li>• three communication electives</li> </ul> <p>Majors in the Honors Program will need to write a thesis during senior year.</p> <p>Planning for the future:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Majors interested in a career in a communication-related field are strongly encouraged to complete an internship during the senior year.</li> <li>• Majors considering law or graduate school should attend the relevant departmental information session.</li> <li>• Majors should start their job search during the fall semester. As a first step it is helpful to visit the BC Career Center to learn about search strategies, resume workshops, and interviewing tactics. Information about the Career Center is available online at-- <a href="http://www.bc.edu/offices/careers/">http://www.bc.edu/offices/careers/</a></li> </ul>