

Speech Communication (B.A.)

2025-2026 Academic Catalog, Bachelor of Arts – Speech Communication

Academic Core for B.A.

60 Hours

CHRISTIAN STUDIES 6

CSBS 1311	Engaging the Old Testament	3
CSBS 1312	Engaging the New Testament	3

ENGLISH 9

ENGL 1321	Rhetoric & Composition I	3
ENGL 1322	Rhetoric & Composition II	3
ENGL	Literature	3

A grade of a "C" or higher is required in ENGL 1321 and ENGL 1322.

EXERCISE & SPORT SCIENCE – SELECT TWO DIFFERENT COURSES 2

EXAC	Activity Course	1
EXAC	Activity Course	1

FINE ARTS – SELECT ONE 3

ARTS 1310	Drawing I	3
ARTS 1320	Design	3
ARTS 1350	Art Appreciation	3
ARTS 2360	Ceramics I	3
COMM 2335	Film Appreciation	3
FINA 2330	Exploring the Fine Arts	3
MUSI 1340	Music Appreciation	3
THEA 2350	Theatre Appreciation	3

FOREIGN LANGUAGE 14

14 semester hours (4 semesters or the equivalent) in one language 14

LAB SCIENCE 4

-	Laboratory Science Course	4
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PUBLIC SPEAKING 3

COMM 1320	Public Speaking	3
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MATHEMATICS 3

MATH 1304	Survey of Mathematics or higher	3
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LITERATURE OR HUMANITIES – SELECT ONE 3

HUMA X3XX	Humanities	3
ENGL 23XX	Literature	3

SOCIAL SCIENCE – SELECT ONE 3

BECO 2311	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
EDUC 2399	Child and Adolescent Development	3
PSYC 1301	General Psychology	3
SOCI 1311	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOCW 2311	Introduction to Social Work	3

US HISTORY OR US GOVERNMENT – SELECT ONE 3

HIST 2311	American History to 1877	3
HIST 2312	American History since 1877	3
POLS 2305	United States Government	3
POLS 2306	Texas State and Local Government	3

WORLD CULTURES or ANY PHILOSOPHY – SELECT ONE 3

ARTS 2354	World Art	3
EXSS 2353	Lifespan Nutrition	3
GLBL 2310	Cultural Immersion	3
HIST 1311	History of World Civilizations to 1500	3
HIST 1312	History of World Civilizations since 1500	3
HIST 2350	An Introduction to the Politics and Culture of Ancient Greece and Rome	3
HUMA 2355	Foundations of the Humanities	3
MUSI 2358	World Music	3
	any Philosophy course	3

WORLD CULTURES – SELECT ONE 3

ARTS 2354	World Art	3
EXSS 2353	Lifespan Nutrition	3
GLBL 2310	Cultural Immersion	3
HIST 1311	History of World Civilizations to 1500	3
HIST 1312	History of World Civilizations since 1500	3
HIST 2350	An Introduction to the Politics and Culture of Ancient Greece and Rome	3
HUMA 2355	Foundations of the Humanities	3
MUSI 2358	World Music	3
PHIL 2315	Introduction to Philosophy	3

FRESHMAN SEMINAR 1

UMHB 1101	Freshman Seminar	1
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CHAPEL – 1 to 4 credits

UMHB 1002	Chapel	
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Fine Arts Experience – 2 to 8 credits

UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	
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Speech Communication 27 Hours

B.A. SPEECH COMMUNICATION MAJOR REQUIRED COURSES 27

COMM 1180	Communication Foundations	1
COMM 1315	Introduction to Communication	3
COMM 1320	Public Speaking	-
COMM 2180	Practicum in Communication	1
COMM 2320	Introduction to Mass Media	3
COMM 3310	Persuasion	3
COMM 3320	Storytelling	3
COMM 3325	Advanced Public Speaking	3
COMM 3350	Competitive Oral Interpretation	3
COMM 3351	Argumentation & Debate	3
COMM 4180	Capstone Experience in Communication	1

The hours for COMM 1320 are already accounted for in the Academic Core

Select One:

COMM 3385	Special Topics in Rhetoric	3
COMM 3386	African-American Rhetoric	3

Students pursuing secondary certification in Speech should take EDUC 2311 and add the Professional Practices and Pedagogy minor from the Department of Education.

Electives 33 Hours

UPPER LEVEL ELECTIVES 17

You need 17 additional hours to reach your minimum 36 UL required hrs.

ELECTIVES 16

You need 16 additional hours to reach your minimum 120 required hrs.

Total Hours

Academic Core for B.A.	60
B.A. Speech Communication Major Required Courses	27
Upper Level Electives	17
Electives	16
Total hours required for graduation	120

Additional Graduation Requirements

Minimum Upper Level hours	36
Minimum hours taken at UMHB	30
Minimum Upper Level hours taken at UMHB	24
Minimum cumulative GPA	2.0

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FRESHMAN FALL 15 Hours

ENGL 1321	Rhetoric & Composition I	3
	Foreign Language	4
MATH	1304 or higher	3
COMM 1320	Public Speaking	3
COMM 1180	Communication Foundations	1
UMHB 1101	First Year Seminar	1
UMHB 1002	Chapel	0
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

FRESHMAN SPRING 14 Hours

ENGL 1322	Rhetoric & Composition II	3
	Foreign Language	4
COMM 1315	Introduction to Communication	3
COMM 2320	Introduction to Mass Media	3
EXAC	Activity Course	1
UMHB 1002	Chapel	0
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

SOPHOMORE FALL 15 Hours

ENGL	Literature	3
	Foreign Language	3
	Fine Arts	3
	World Cultures or Philosophy	3
CSBS 1311	Engaging the Old Testament	3
UMHB 1002	Chapel	0
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

SOPHOMORE SPRING 16 Hours

	Literature or Humanities	3
	Foreign Language	3
CSBS 1312	Engaging the New Testament	3
COMM 2180	Practicum in Communication	1
COMM 3310	Persuasion	3
COMM 3320	Storytelling	3
UMHB 1002	Chapel	0
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

JUNIOR FALL 14 Hours

	Social Science	3
	US History or US Government	3
	World Cultures	3
	Lab Science	4
EXAC	Activity Course	1
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

JUNIOR SPRING 15 Hours

COMM 3325	Advanced Public Speaking	3
COMM 3350	Competitive Oral Interpretation	3
COMM 3351	Argumentation & Debate	3
	Minor/Electives (Upper Level)	3
	Minor/Electives (Upper Level)	3
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

SENIOR FALL 15 Hours

	COMM 3385 or COMM 3386	3
	Minor/Electives (Upper Level)	3
	Minor/Electives (Upper Level)	3
	Minor/Electives (Upper Level)	3
	Minor/Electives (Upper Level)	3
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

SENIOR SPRING 16 Hours

COMM 4180	Capstone Experience in Communication	1
	Minor/Electives (Upper Level)	3
	Electives	3
	Electives	3
	Electives	3
	Electives	3
UMHB 1005	Fine Arts Experience	0

Total Credit Hours: 120