

# Program Guide - Communication and Media Studies Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Laker ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of "pre-CMS" major declaration: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of admission to CMS: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous degrees or transfer credit institutions: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational/career focus: \_\_\_\_\_

Internship location(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Term(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## Remediation, testing, and residency requirements

- CPC deficiencies?
  - All deficiencies remedied
- Regents' Reading Test passed
- Regents' Essay Test passed
- CSU residency req. satisfied

### Georgia legislative requirements

- US history
- GA history
- US Constitution
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## Curriculum overview

### Freshman-Sophomore years

Areas A-E: General Education Core Curriculum  
Area F: Major-related Core Curriculum (USG guidelines)

### Total of 60 credit hours

42 credit hours  
18 credit hours

### Junior-Senior years

Upper-division CMS Core Courses  
Upper-division CMS Electives  
Experiential Learning (Internship/practicum)  
Guided Electives

### Total of 60 credit hours

21 credit hours  
21-30 credit hours  
3-12 credit hours  
6-15 credit hours

### Freshman-Senior years

### Total of 120 credit hours

**NOTE:** Grades of C or higher are required in ENGL 1101, ENGL 1102, CMS 2010, CMS 2100, COMM 1110, and all upper-division (Junior/Senior) courses.

## Notes / Dates of Advisement


## Section 1: Freshman-Sophomore Years - 60 hours

See the Academic Catalog for complete area A-F requirements for Communication and Media Studies

### Essential Skills: Area A

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
A1. ENGL 1101			3
A1. ENGL 1102			3
A2. MATH			3
			Total: 9

A1. A grade of C or better is required in both courses.

A2. (See Academic Catalog for full requirements)

Choose one of the following: MATH 1101, MATH 1241, MATH 1113, MATH 1501, or MATH 1111.

### Critical Thinking and Comm.: Area B

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
B1. CRIT 1101			3
B2.			
			Total: 4-5

B2. CMS majors **cannot** apply COMM 1001 or 1002.

Recommended: COMM 1110, FREN 1002, or SPAN 1002

### Humanities: Area C

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
C1.			3
C2.			3
			Total: 6

(See Academic Catalog for full requirements.)

C1. ENGL 2111, ENGL 2112, ENGL 2131, ENGL 2132, PHIL 2201

C2. ART 2301, ART 2302, MUSC 2101, MUSC 2301, PHIL 2401, THEA 1100

### Natural Sciences and Math: Area D

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
D1.			3
			1 (lab)
			3
D2.			3
			Total: 10-11

(See Academic Catalog for full requirements.)

D1. Lab sequence for non-science majors recommended

D2. Math 1231 recommended

### Social Sciences: Area E

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
E1. POLS 1101			3
E2. HIST 2111 or HIST 2112			3
E3. SOCI 1101 or PSYC 1101			3
E4.			3
			Total: 12

E4. Capstone (HIST preferred) 3 hours

SOSC 2501 Survey of Social Sciences

HIST 1111 Survey of Pre-Mod. World History

HIST 1112 Survey of Modern World History

### Major-Related Core: Area F

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
F			
F			
F			
F			
F			
F			
			Total: 18

F1. International Languages 9 hrs.

SPAN 1002 FREN 1002

SPAN 2001 OR FREN 2001

SPAN 2002 FREN 2002

Students are required to show competence in a language other than English (preferably Spanish) through the 2002 level, through coursework or standardized examination.

F2. CMS 2010 Intro. to Media Studies 3 hrs.

F3. CMS 2100 Introduction to Film 3 hrs.

F4. Art, art history, or aesthetics 3-6 hrs.

Any 1000- or 2000-level ART courses  
PHIL 2401 Introduction to Aesthetics

F5. Communication and performance art 0-6 hrs.

COMM 1110 Spoken Communication  
(Required here if not applied in Area B.2)

THEA 1100 Theater Appreciation

THEA 1880 Introduction to Acting

## Section 2: Junior-Senior Years - 60 semester hours

**NOTE:** Grades of C or higher are required in all courses applied toward Junior/Senior requirements.

### Required CMS Core Courses (21 hours)

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
CMS 3020 Research Methods			3
CMS 3101 Media and Culture			3
CMS 3200 History of Communication			3
CMS 3500 Writing for Mass Media			3
CMS 3710 Writing for Digital Media			3
COMM 3300 Interpersonal Comm.			3
CMS 4500 Global Contexts in CMS			3

### Core Course Scheduling – Important Notes

To avoid delaying graduation, please carefully read the following.

Students must complete the following prerequisites before enrolling in the senior capstone, CMS 4500:

- CMS 3101 Media and Culture
- CMS 3020 Research Methods
- CMS 3200 History of Communication

Therefore, students should plan to complete these three prerequisite courses in their junior year. The recommended sequence is as follows:

#### Fall semester of your junior year

- CMS 3101 Media and Culture
- CMS 3020 Research Methods

#### Spring semester of your junior year

- CMS 3200 History of Communication

#### Spring semester of your senior year

- CMS 4500 Global Contexts in Communication and Media Studies

All of these courses are offered only once each year; if you do not follow this schedule, or if you fail to earn a C or higher in any of these courses, **you may delay your graduation by a year or more.**

For further details on course availability, see the CMS web site: <http://a-s.clayton.edu/cais/cms/offerings.html>

### Experiential Learning (3-12 hours)

Course	Term	Grade	Hours
CMS 3901			3
			Total:

### Experiential Learning (3-12 hours)

Internship/Practicum placements must be approved by your program advisor and the director of Experiential Learning.

CMS 3901 must be taken once. It may be repeated for a total of three times for 9 hours.

In addition to the required CMS 3901, the following courses also may be applied.

CMS 3902	Internship: Training and Instruction
CMS 3903	Advanced Media Production
JOUR 3011	Journalism Workshop
JOUR 3012	Mass Media Workshop
CCSU 2500	Essentials of Peer Tutoring

### Internship locations and dates

Internship 1: \_\_\_\_\_

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Internship 2: \_\_\_\_\_

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Internship 3: \_\_\_\_\_

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Internship 4: \_\_\_\_\_

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Internship 5: \_\_\_\_\_

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