

# COMMUNICATION (B.S.) - COMMUNICATION - RESIDENT

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

## General Education/Foundational Skills Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Communication &amp; Information Literacy <sup>1</sup></b>		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
	Communications Elective	3
	Information Literacy Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
	Information Literacy Elective	3
<b>Technological Solutions &amp; Quantitative Reasoning <sup>1</sup></b>		
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
	Math Elective MATH 114 or higher	3
	Technology Competency <sup>3</sup>	0-3
<b>Critical Thinking <sup>1</sup></b>		
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview <sup>4</sup>	2
	Critical Thinking Elective	3
<b>Civic &amp; Global Engagement <sup>1</sup></b>		
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life <sup>4</sup>	2
	Cultural Studies Elective	3
<b>Social &amp; Scientific Inquiry <sup>1</sup></b>		
	Natural Science Elective	3
	Social Science Elective	3
<b>Christianity &amp; Contexts <sup>1</sup></b>		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
THEO 201	Theology Survey I <sup>4</sup>	2
THEO 202	Theology Survey II <sup>4</sup>	2
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>40-43</b>

<sup>1</sup> Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skills requirements

<sup>2</sup> HIUS 221, HIUS 222, or HIUS 223 is strongly recommended

<sup>3</sup> All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete an applicable INFT course

<sup>4</sup> Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirements of RLGN 105 and EVAN 101 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirements of THEO 201 and THEO 202 waived

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Major Foundational Courses</b>		
SCOM 110	Media and Culture <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>3</b>

<sup>1</sup> Course may fulfill select general education requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Major Core</b>		
DMCA 499	Internship	3
SCOM 201	Public Speaking	3
SCOM 210	Theoretical Foundations in Communication	3
SCOM 212	Criticism of Popular Culture	3
SCOM 220	Intercultural Communication	3
SCOM 300	Communication Research	3
SCOM 325	Interpersonal Communication	3
SCOM 330	Creative Problem Solving in Teams	3
SCOM 345	Persuasion	3
SCOM 360	Leadership Communication	3
SCOM 420	Advanced Public Communication	3
SCOM 490	Crisis Communication and Negotiation	3
STCO 346	Persuasive Advertising and Storytelling	3
STCO 372	Employee and Organizational Communication	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>42</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Concentration</b>		
SCOM 315	Narrative, Story-telling and Performance	3
SCOM 335	Argumentation	3
SCOM 365	Communication and Christian Ministry	3
SCOM 370	Motivational Speaking	3
SCOM 455	Communication Theory	3
SCOM 465	Rhetorical Theory and Criticism	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Free Electives</b>		
Choose 10-16 credit hours of Free Electives		10-16
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>10-16</b>

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Graduation Requirements

- **120** Total hours
- **2.0** Overall grade point average
- **30** Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major
- **25%** Of major and concentration taken through Liberty University
- **30** Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date
- **CSER** All requirements must be satisfied before a degree will be awarded

## Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life	2
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
Communications Elective (SCOM 110) <sup>1</sup>		3
MATH Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview	2
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
Information Literacy Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Social Science Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Technology Competency <sup>2</sup>		0-3
SCOM 212	Criticism of Popular Culture	3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13-16</b>
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
RSCH 201	Research	3
THEO 201	Theology Survey I	2
SCOM 201	Public Speaking	3
SCOM 210	Theoretical Foundations in Communication	3
Elective		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
THEO 202	Theology Survey II	2
Information Literacy Elective <sup>1,3</sup>		3
SCOM 220	Intercultural Communication	3
SCOM 315	Narrative, Story-telling and Performance	3
SCOM 325	Interpersonal Communication	3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Third Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
Critical Thinking Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
SCOM 300	Communication Research	3
SCOM 330	Creative Problem Solving in Teams	3
SCOM 370	Motivational Speaking	3
SCOM 365	Communication and Christian Ministry	3
Elective		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
Natural Science Elective <sup>1</sup>		3

Course	Title	Hours
SCOM 335	Argumentation	3
SCOM 345	Persuasion	3
SCOM 360	Leadership Communication	3
Elective		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
SCOM 420	Advanced Public Communication	3
SCOM 455	Communication Theory	3
SCOM 465	Rhetorical Theory and Criticism	3
STCO 346	Persuasive Advertising and Storytelling	3
Elective		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
Cultural Studies Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
DMCA 499	Internship	3
SCOM 490	Crisis Communication and Negotiation	3
STCO 372	Employee and Organizational Communication	3
Elective		3
Elective		1
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120-123</b>

<sup>1</sup> Refer to the list of approved general education electives at [www.liberty.edu/gened](http://www.liberty.edu/gened) before enrolling foundational skills requirements.

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