



SMART CHOICE

College of Liberal Arts (COLA)

Communication Studies (AA Communication Arts and Technologies – Communication Option – BA Communication Studies – Communication in Relationships) (Tahlequah)

NSU Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies – Communication in Relationships: The Communication Studies program at NSU offers you the opportunity to specialize in Communication and Relationships, Corporate Communication, Theory and Research, and Applied Performance and Delivery. There is also a structured minor in Leadership Communication. Along with excellent classroom instruction, our award winning students have the opportunity to hone their communication skills in a variety of applied settings. The program houses the Communication Lab and the Forensics and Debate Team.

Major Guidelines / Regulations: For admission to the BA program, students must have completed ENGL 1113, ENGL 1213 with a grade of “C” or better; completed MATH 1513 with a grade of “C” or better or score 23 or higher on the Math ACT; satisfied the university’s computer proficiency requirement; and achieved an overall GPA of 2.25 or higher. Students must achieve an overall GPA of 2.25 or higher. Students enrolled in classes offered by the COLA are expected to behave according to those Standards of Professional Behavior, found on the COLA website. Graduation with the BA degree requires that all core and major classes must be completed with a “C” or better and that 21 (of 42) credits in the BA core must be earned at NSU.

What it takes to complete a BA in Communication Studies – Communication in Relationships from NSU. If you don’t complete your A.A. or A.S. at TCC, you will need to meet NSU’s specific general education requirements. You must complete at least 124 hours to earn a bachelor’s degree. Of those hours, 60 must be from a university (four-year school; 30-hours required from NSU), 40 must be junior and senior (3000/4000) level, and half of the hours (50%) in your major must be from NSU. You must also be both English and computer proficient. This means that you must pass ENGL 1113 Composition I and ENGL 1213 Composition II with a “C” or better and pass the designated computer proficiency class if needed. Therefore, when you transfer to NSU, you will likely need around 60 more hours to earn your bachelor’s degree.

Transferring to NSU is a seamless process. Although you can transfer to NSU at any time in your academic career, the smoothest transition occurs if you have earned or will earn an A.A. or A.S. from TCC. This milestone will also meet your general education requirements at NSU (unless it is a specific NSU requirement for you to graduate).

How do my TCC classes transfer to NSU? Every class that you take at TCC will transfer to NSU. Each class counts in one of the following categories that make up a bachelor’s degree: general education, major, minor, or free elective. Minors (18 hours) are a coherent set of courses in a discipline or interdisciplinary grouping other than a student’s degree program. **This program requires a minor.** Free electives can be selected from any academic area. They allow you to explore academic interests outside of your major while counting toward the 124 hours you need to graduate. If you completed a class at TCC that does not meet one of the other specific requirements, it will count as a free elective. If you complete more than 64 hours at the associate degree level, all courses will transfer to NSU, but may be counted as electives. You must have 60 hours from a four-year institution to meet state requirements for graduation with a baccalaureate degree.

When can you start taking NSU classes? You can begin taking classes at NSU while you are completing your A.A. or A.S. at TCC. This is called dual enrollment and many students do this each semester. Consult an NSU academic advisor and a financial aid counselor to see how dual enrollment can work for you.

TCC Communication Arts and Technologies – Communication Option, AA
to
NSU Communication Studies – Communication in Relationships, BA

**Communication Arts and Technologies – Communication Option, AA
Freshman Year at Tulsa Community College**

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
COLL 1002 First Year Experience Seminar	COMM 2103 Interpersonal Communication
COMM 1113 Public Speaking	Communication Elective (3 hours) NSU recommends the following: COMM 2243 Small Group Communication
ENGL 1113 Composition I	ENGL 1213 Composition II
MCOM 1013 Introduction to Mass Communications	General Education Humanities Elective (3hours)
Required General Education Elective (3 hours)	MATH 1473 Quantitative Reasoning or higher level General Education Math
Total Hours Per Semester = 14	Total Hours Per Semester = 15

**Communication Arts and Technologies – Communication Option, AA
Sophomore Year at Tulsa Community College**

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
COMM 2053 Intercultural Communication	Communication Elective (3 hours) NSU recommends the following: COMM 2503 Contemporary Issues in Communication
Communication Elective (3 hours) NSU recommends the following: COMM 2073 Oral Interpretation	COMM 2553 Introduction to Rhetorical Theory
Communication Elective (3 hours) NSU recommends the following: COMM 2093 Leadership and Professional Communication	HIST 1483 or 1493 U.S. History
General Education Science without lab (3 hours)	General Education Humanities Elective (3 hours)
POLS 1113 American Federal Government	General Education Science with lab (4 hours)
Total Hours Per Semester = 15	Total Hours Per Semester = 16

After completion of your TCC courses, have the TCC Registrar send an official transcript to the NSU Admissions Office. If you have completed all requirements for an Associate degree, make sure that designation is noted on your TCC official transcript before sending to NSU. If you have not completed the requirements for an Associate degree, talk with your TCC Academic Advisor about Reverse Transfer options to use NSU coursework to complete your TCC degree.

**Communication Studies – Communication in Relationships, BA
Junior Year at Northeastern State University**

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
COMM 3043 Introduction to Communication Theory	COMM 2453 Media Literacy
COMM 3000/4000 Elective (3 hours)	COMM 3453 Conflict Management
Course in Minor (6 hours)	Course in Minor (6 hours)
Free Elective 3000/4000 (3 hours)	Free Elective 3000/4000 (3 hours)
Total Hours Per Semester = 15	Total Hours Per Semester = 15

Communication Studies – Communication in Relationships, BA
Senior Year at Northeastern State University

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
COMM 4313 Family Communication	COMM 3403 Persuasion
COMM 3303 Group Dynamics	COMM 4643 Challenges in Interpersonal Communication
Course in Minor (6 hours)	Free Elective 3000/4000 (10 hours)
Free Elective 3000/4000 (6 hours)	
Total Hours Per Semester = 18	Total Hours Per Semester = 16

Total hours transferred from Tulsa Community College: **60**

Total hours needed from a four-year university to complete a Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies – Communication in Relationships: **64**

Total Degree Plan Hours: 124

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