Bachelor of Arts in Communications: Media Studies Option

The purpose of the Degree Roadmap is to serve as a guide for planning one’s academic coursework required to complete a specific major semester by semester. Before enrolling, you can use the Degree Roadmap to get a feel for the courses you'll take in this major. After enrolling, refer to the University Catalog, Class Schedule and consult with your academic advisor each semester for advisement to specify which courses you will take to fulfill each graduation requirement and are progressing toward graduation in a timely manner as possible. The Degree Roadmap is subject to change and is NOT to be considered a replacement for advisement with an academic advisor. See University Catalog for information on the Graduate Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR). *See reverse side for General Education (GE) course requirements. **A minimum of 120 units are required for completion of degree.

### Upper Division Transfer Requirements

- Complete a minimum 60 transferable semester (or 90 quarter) units with a 2.0 GPA (nonresidents require 2.4 GPA) and be in good standing at the last college or university attended. Within those 60 semester units, complete a minimum of 30 semester (or 45 quarter) units of General Education courses with a 2.0 GPA with a “C” grade or better, including Oral Communication, Written Communication (English Composition), Logic/Critical Thinking and Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning.
- Complete and submit a CSU Application for Admission by the posted deadline through CSU Mentor at CSUMENTOR.EDU.
- Submit official transcripts from all colleges attended.
- Students applying to an impacted program may have to meet supplementary requirements.
- The following degree roadmap assumes you have junior standing (60 units) and have completed all lower division General Education Courses.
- Minimum of 120 units are required for completion of degree, 30 of which must be taken in residence at CSUDH.

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<td>COM 400 Communication Theory &amp; Research</td>
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**Total Units: 57-60**

**NOTE:** Upper division elective courses cannot double count for upper division GE courses. This is a single field major. No minor is required. All communication majors must pass all required and prerequisite courses with grades “C” or better. Courses cannot fulfill both the core upper-division writing requirement and emphasis elective course.
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**Learn More**

- To learn more about the B.A. in Communications at CSUDH, call the Department of Communications at (310) 243-3313, or visit [CAH.CSUDH.EDU/Communications](http://CAH.CSUDH.EDU/Communications).
- For more information on applying to CSUDH, visit [CSUDH.EDU/FutureStudents](http://CSUDH.EDU/FutureStudents).
- Apply online at [CSUMENTOR.EDU](http://CSUMENTOR.EDU).
- Career information, visit [CSUDH.EDU/CareerCenter](http://CSUDH.EDU/CareerCenter).

**Faculty**

- Nancy Cheever, Chair, Associate Professor  
  Ph.D., Fielding University
- Edward J. Whetmore, Professor  
  Ph.D., University of Oregon
- James Sudalnik, Professor  
  Ph.D., Southern Illinois University
- Chris Russo, Assistant Professor  
  M.A. candidate, CSU Dominguez Hills
- Sharon Sharp, Assistant Professor  
  Ph.D., University of California Los Angeles

**Career Options**

Critic writer, producer, director, editor, media management, media distributor, researcher, and broadcasting/webcasting management.

**General Education (GE) Requirements**

### A. Basic Skills:

- Courses must be passed with a grade of "C" or higher.
- GE A1: ENG 110, ENG 111 (both required)
- GE A2: PHI 120 or PSY 110
- GE A3: THE 120
- GE A4: CSC 101 or LIB 150 (optional category)

### B. Area of the Natural Sciences and Quantitative Reasoning:

- Select one course from each category below. Category 4 courses must be passed with a grade of "C" or higher.
- GE B1: CHE 102, EAR 100, GEO 200, PHY 100
- GE B2: ANT 101, BIO 102
- GE B3: BIO 103, EAR 101, CHE 103
- GE B4: MAT 105, 131, 153, 171, 191, 193

### C. Area of the Humanities:

- Select one course from each category below.
- In categories 2 and 3, select courses from different departments.
- GE C1: HUM 200
- GE C2: ART 100, ART 101, CHS 125, COM 130, DAN 130, MUS 101, MUS 110, THE 100, THE 160
- GE C3: AFS 200, AFS 231, APP 101, CHS 100, CHS 205, ENG 230, FRE 220, HUM 212, PHI 101, PHI 102, SPA 151, SPA 221

### D. Area of the Social Sciences:

- Select one course from each category below.
- In categories 1 and 2, select courses from different departments.
- GE D1: AFS 212, AFS 220, ANT 100, APP 212, CHS 212, PSY 101, SOC 101, SOC 102, WMS 250
- GE D2: AFS 201, ANT 102, CHS 200, GEO 100, HIS 120, HIS 121, POL 100
- GE D3: HIS 101
- GE D4: POL 101

### E. Objectives for Lifelong Learning and Self-Development:

- Select one course from the following.
- GE E: HEA 100, HSC 201, KIN 235, REC 100, UNV 101

### F. Upper Division Integrative Studies:

- Select one course from each category. Courses in this category are to be taken after 60 semester units and ALL lower division General Education courses have been completed.
- GE F1: HUM 310, 312, 314
- GE F2: SMT 310, 312, 314, 416
- GE F3: SBS 318

### G. Cultural Pluralism Requirement:

- Within their General Education selections or within other requirements, all students must take one course which addresses cultural pluralism (i.e. the impact of the integration of cultures).

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1 SBS 318 satisfies both F3 and G areas. Students will receive only three units credit, but will have met both requirements.