**BA with a Major in Communication**

**Program Codes:**
20FT1113BA

**Degree Requirements**
To earn a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences degree from UIC, students must complete university, college, and department degree requirements. The Department of Communication degree requirements are outlined below. Students should consult the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences section for additional degree requirements and college academic policies.

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**General Education**
See General Education and Writing-in-the-Discipline in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences section for information on meeting these requirements.

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a This course is approved for the Understanding the Individual and Society General Education category.
b COMM 201 also fulfills the LAS Quantitative Reasoning requirement.
c COMM 301 also fulfills the Writing-in-the-Discipline requirement.
d Exclusive of COMM 490 and COMM 491. No more than 3 hours of COMM 474 or 3 hours of COMM 498 may be applied toward the major. COMM 454 does not count toward the major or minor in Communication.
e Only one of the seminars, COMM 490 or COMM 491, may be applied toward the major in Communication.
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#### Electives  
**Hours:** 6

| Spring Semester | Communication Research  
|                 | COMM 301 | 3  
|                 | COMM 2xx, 3xx, or 4xx | 3  
|                 | General Education Requirement course/Elective | 3  
|                 | Electives | 6  
| **Hours** | 15  

| Fourth Year |  
| Fall Semester | COMM 2xx, 3xx, or 4xx | 3  
|               | COMM 2xx, 3xx, or 4xx | 3  
|               | Electives | 9  
| **Hours** | 15  

| Spring Semester | Seminar in Culture and Communication  
|                 | COMM 490 | 3  
|                 | Seminar in Media and Communication |  
|                 | COMM 491 | 3  
|                 | COMM 2xx, 3xx, or 4xx | 3  
|                 | COMM 2xx, 3xx, or 4xx | 3  
|                 | Electives | 6  
| **Hours** | 15  

| Total Hours | 120  

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**Note:**

- **a** Two of these courses may be used to satisfy two of the nine courses in the General Education Program.
- **b** COMM 201 satisfies the LAS Quantitative Reasoning Requirement with a grade of C or better. There is a math prerequisite.
- **c** Five Communication courses at the 200-, 300-, or 400-level, at least two must be at the 400-level.
- **d** No more than 3 hours each of either COMM 474 or COMM 498 may be applied toward the major.
- **e** Only one of the seminars, COMM 490 or COMM 491, may be applied toward the major.

**Note:** COMM 100, COMM 105, COMM 140, and COMM 454 do not count toward the major.