Communication Studies
Coursework Requirements Curriculum Checksheet

The Master of Arts in Communication with a Concentration in Communication Studies program is designed for students with a general interest in the study of human communication. It is intended primarily for students preparing for doctoral study in communication. The requirements for the Concentration are:

**One required course:**
COM 7000: Introduction to M.A. Studies in Communication (3 cr) 

**A minimum of six courses,** including one research methods (M) course, preferably all from one of the following four tracks:

**Rhetorical Theory and Criticism**
- COM 6350: Communication, Culture, and Conflict (3 cr) 
- COM 7110: Theory of Argument (3 cr) 
- COM 7190: Classical Rhetorical Theory (3 cr) 
- COM 7200: Rhetoric of Visual Culture (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7250: Rhetorical Criticism (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7300: Feminist Rhetorical Criticism (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7310: Rhetoric & Contemporary Intellectual Developments (3 cr) 
- COM 7350: Rhetoric of Citizenship and National Identity (3 cr) 
- COM 8350: Advanced Study in Rhetorical Criticism (M) (3 cr) 

**Interpersonal Communication and Social Influence**
- COM 6180: Principles of Health Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 6270: New Media Theory (3 cr) 
- COM 6350: Communication, Culture, and Conflict (3 cr) 
- COM 7155: Theories of Interpersonal Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 7170: Health Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 7260: Quantitative Research Methods in Communication (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7340: Interviewing (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7360: Qualitative Research Methods in Communication (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7365: Ethnographic Methods for Communication Research (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7410: Communication Theory (3 cr) 
- COM 7580: Content Analysis (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 8170: Seminar in Interpersonal Communication (3 cr) 
- DR 7100: Roots of Social Conflict (3 cr) 
- DR 7210: Concepts & Processes of Dispute Resolution: Negotiation (3 cr)
**Small Group and Organizational Communication**
- COM 6180: Principles of Health Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 6200: Theories of Small Group Processes (3 cr) 
- COM 6250: Organizational Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 7140: Public Relations Campaigns (3 cr) 
- COM 7150: Micro-level Organizational Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 7160: Crisis Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 7165: Communication and Issue Management (3 cr) 
- COM 7170: Health Communication (3 cr) 
- COM 7240: Communication Consulting and Training (3 cr) 
- COM 7410: Communication Theory (3 cr) 
- DR 7210: Concepts & Processes of Dispute Resolution: Negotiation (3 cr)

**Political and Public Communication**
- COM 6100: Speech Writing (3 cr) 
- COM 6350: Communication, Culture, and Conflict (3 cr) 
- COM 7040: Language of Oppression (3 cr) 
- COM 7120: Contemporary Political Campaigns (3 cr) 
- COM 7130: Contemporary Social Movements (3 cr) 
- COM 7250: Rhetorical Criticism (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7260: Quantitative Research Methods in Communication (M) (3 cr) 
- COM 7700: Mass Media and Political Communication (3 cr) 
- DR 6120: Human Diversity and Human Conflict (3 cr) 
- DR 7100: Roots of Social Conflict (3 cr) 
- DR 7210: Concepts & Processes of Dispute Resolution: Negotiation (3 cr)

**One of the following capstone plan options:**

**Plan A:** Eight credits of COM 8999: Master’s Thesis Research and Direction with an approved thesis, and additional courses as needed totaling a minimum of 32 credits.

**Plan C:** Additional courses as needed to total 35-48 credits.

I have read the Department of Communication Master of Arts and Graduate Certificate Handbook and familiarized myself with the policies and procedures governing the program I am pursuing. I also understand that I must familiarize myself with the policies, procedures, and directives from the Graduate School as detailed in the Graduate Bulletin.

I understand that deviations from the Department of Communication or Graduate School policies and procedures may interfere with reasonable and normal academic progress and, in extreme circumstances, may result in my dismissal from the program. I further understand that I am to maintain regular contact with my academic adviser so that I may complete my degree in a timely manner.

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Student Name and Access ID (Please Print)

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Signature and Date

Please complete and return this form to the Graduate Secretary of the Department of Communication, 585 Manoogian Hall, along with the signed Plan of Work form and the appropriate M.A. or G.C. coursework requirements Curriculum Checksheet. The Plan of Work is to be completed in consultation with your academic adviser and must be filed by the completion of twelve credit hours of coursework.

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