



MIAMI UNIVERSITY REGIONALS MINOR

Communication Studies

The Communication Studies minor allows students to develop verbal and interpersonal communication skills, while also examining seminal communication theories. The minor provides students the opportunity to study a variety of communication contexts in more depth. The courses will equip students with the skills and knowledge needed to work effectively in an increasingly complex and interconnected world.

The minor in Communication Studies begins with three courses forming the foundation of the students' exposure to the discipline. STC 135 focuses on public speaking, while STC 136 serves as an introductory course in interpersonal communication. STC 239 involves more focused study in communication theory by examining the role of theory in several different contexts within the communication discipline. Following the required courses, students have the opportunity to select three courses to complete the remaining 9 credit hours of the minor. The contexts of these communication courses include: advanced interpersonal, small-group, organizational, computer-mediated/social networks, intercultural, conflict, and other major areas of interest.

Students in a variety of majors will benefit from pursuing a minor in Communication Studies. The minor can be completed on either the Hamilton or the Middletown campus, and the core courses are offered each semester (fall and spring). The context courses are also offered on a regular basis.

The Communication Studies minor is 18 credit hours and includes:

All of these (9 hours) core courses

- STC 135 Principles of Public Speaking
- STC 136 Introduction to Interpersonal Communication
- STC 239 Theories of Communication

Select remaining hours (9 hours) from the following context courses

- APC 201 Introduction to Health and Risk Communication
- APC 311 Science and Medicine in Public Communication
- APC 312 Computer-mediated Communication and Social Media
- APC 336 Advanced Interpersonal Communication (prerequisite STC 136)
- APC 341 Methods of Rhetorical Criticism
- APC 428 Communication in Conflict Management
- APC 438 Political Communication
- STC 231 Small Group Communication
- STC 339 Introduction to Organizational Communication
- STC 436 Intercultural Communication

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Note: The Communications Studies minor is open to all majors except Communication Studies, Health Communication, or Strategic Communication.