



Mississippi Valley State University
Department of Mass Communications
Major: Speech Communication
Catalog Year: 2021-2023

ACADEMIC MAP

Degree Requirements	Details
Total Credit Hours	120
Grade Point Average (GPA)	2.0 GPA
Residency Rule	Complete a minimum of 25% of the degree of the total credit hour requirement of the degree program at MVSU.
"D" Policy	You may have D in electives and General Education courses with the exception of English and SP 201. You must have at least "C" in all your major courses (Mass Communications), Seminars and SP 201.
Academic Advisor	
Student Name	
Student ID#	

General Core Curriculum	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	General Core Curriculum	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered
Freshman Composition	EN 101 and EN 102	6	FA & SP	Social and Behavioral Sciences: Economics, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, Public Administration and Sociology	Any courses in the area listed.	6	FA & SP
Humanities: History and English Literature <i>Students must take (6hrs EN Lit & 3hrs HI or 6hrs HI&3 hrs EN Lit)</i>		9	FA & SP	Speech	SP 201	3	FA & SP
Fine Arts	AR 101 or MU 107 or TH 201	3	FA & SP	Health, Physical Education or ROTC	HL 101 or PE 102 or MS 101	2/3	FA & SP
Orientation	FY 101	1	FA & SP	College Algebra or Higher Level Mathematics		3	FA & SP
Natural Sciences		6/8	FA & SP				

Subtotal 39/42

Semester 1	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
English Composition - Freshman Composition	EN 101	3	FA & SP				EN 100B or ACT English score of 17 or above
Humanities I - History	See above	3	FA & SP				
College Algebra or Higher Level Mathematics	See above	3	FA & SP				MA 100B or ACT Math score of 17 or above
Health, Physical Education or ROTC	See above	2/3	FA & SP				
Fine Arts	See above	3	FA & SP				
Orientation	SP 191	1	FA & SP			FY 101	
	Total Hours	15/16					

Semester 2	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
English Composition - Freshman Composition	EN 102	3	FA & SP				
Humanities II - History	See above	3	FA & SP				
Speech - Fundamentals of Public Speaking	SP 201	3	FA & SP				
Introduction to Data Processing	CS 111	3	FA & SP				
Freshman Seminar	SP 192	1	SP				
	Total Hours	15/16					

Semester 3	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
Social and Behavioral Sciences I	See above	3	FA & SP				
Natural Sciences I	See above	3/4	FA & SP				
Humanities III - World Literature I	EN 201	3	FA & SP				
Survey of Human Communication	SP 301	3	FA				
Issues in Communication	SP 340	3	FA				
	Total Hours	15/16					

Semester 4	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
Social and Behavioral Sciences II	See above	3	FA & SP				
Natural Sciences II	See above	3	FA & SP				
World Literature II	EN 202	3	SP				
Small Group Communication	SP 310	3	SP				
Advanced Public Speaking	SP 400		SP				
Introduction to Mass Comm.	MC 325	3	SP				
Total Hours		15/16					

Semester 5	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
Business & Prof Communications	SP 405	3	FA				
Nonverbal Communication	SP 420	1	FA				
Persuasion	SP 430	3	FA				
Media Writing	MC 300	3	FA				
Electives		3	FA				
Total Hours		15/16					

Semester 6	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
Interpersonal Communications	SP 410	3	SP				
Interviewing	SP 425	1	SP				
Organizational Communication	SP 435	3	SP				
Intercultural Communication	SP 440	3	SP				
Electives		3	FA & SP				
Total Hours		15/16					

Semester 7	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
Acting I	TH 305	3	FA				
Senior Project Research	SP 449	2	FA				
Senior Seminar	SP 491	1	FA				
Elective		3	FA & SP				
Elective		3	FA & SP				
Elective		3	FA & SP				
Total Hours		15/16					

Semester 8	Course Number	Credit Hours	Semester Offered	Semester Year/Taken	Grade Earned	Also Allowed	Pre/Co-requisite
Introduction to Playwriting * or Directing for Theater**	TH 312** or TH350*	3	SP				
Senior Project Paper	SP 450	1	SP				
Senior Seminar	SP 492	1	SP				
Elective		3	SP				
Elective		3	FA & SP				
Elective		3	FA & SP				
Total Hours		17					

* Offered every odd year. **Offered every even year.

***Departmental Exit Examination Required**

Fall MC Electives: SP 301, SP 340, SP 405, SP 420, SP 430, CP 449, MC 311, MC 313, 316A, MC 350, MC 430, MC 440 and MC 442

SP MC Electives: SP 310, SP 400, SP 410, SP 425, SP 435, SP 440, MC 316B, MC 316C, MC 340 and MC 442

Substitutions							
Required Course Number		Substituted Course Number		Grade		Semester	
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OTHER COURSES	Course Number	Semester	Grade	Course Number	Semester	Grade	Course Number	Semester	Grade