



## AA in Communication Studies to BS in Communication Studies

### Admission Requirements

- Only courses completed with a 2.0 will be applied toward the major at Towson University
- Towson University will accept a maximum number of 64 credits from Cecil College. The number of transferable credits specific to this program are listed below.
- Students who complete the AA in Communication Studies at Cecil may transfer into Towson’s BS in Communication studies program with junior standing
- Towson University recognizes college-level experiential learning gained through previous work, military and/or volunteer service or life experience. Credit for prior learning may also be established through course challenge or standardized by credit examination
- Students transferring to Towson University will be given every consideration for financial aid and will be eligible to complete for academic scholarships upon entrance to Towson University subject to stated scholarship deadlines

### Degree Requirements to be completed at Cecil College:

**Table 1: General Education Courses Applied to TU Core Curriculum**

Course #	Course Title	Credits	TU Equivalency
<b>EGL101</b>	College Composition	3	ENGL102
	Math General Education Elective	4	Varies*
	Art & Humanities General Education Elective	3	Varies*
	Art & Humanities General Education Elective	3	Varies*
	Social Science General Education Elective	3	Varies*
	Social Science General Education Elective	3	Varies*
	Science w/Lab General Education Elective	4	Varies*
	Science General Education Elective	3	Varies*
<b>EGL 102</b>	Composition and Literature	3	ENGL TLL
	History Elective General Education	3	Varies*
<b>SPH 121</b>	Interpersonal Communication	3	COMM 215
<b>SPH 141</b>	Public Speaking	3	COMM 131

\* Where the TU equivalency is listed as “varies”, the TU equivalency will be based on the course you choose at Cecil. Most general education courses will have direct equivalencies to courses offered at TU, but in the case where there is not a direct equivalency; students will receive lower level elective in the discipline (e.g. ENGL TLL)

#### Total general education courses applied to the TU Core Curriculum: 37 credits

The Towson Seminar (Core 1) requirement is waived for all incoming transfer students. By completing all courses in the above section, students will receive a core package that recognizes completion of a general education package without the need for course-by-course placement. Students must complete the Advanced Writing Seminar (Core 9) and either Ethical Issues and Perspectives (Core 14) or Diversity and Difference (Core 13) depending on course selections at Cecil.

**Table 2: Program Requirements and Electives Applied to TU Degree**

Course #	Course Title	Credits	TU Equivalency
<b>COMM 101</b>	Introduction to Communication Studies	3	COMM 201
	Communication Studies Electives	12	Varies*
	General Electives	8	Varies*

#### Total Program Requirements Applied to the TU degree: 23 credits

**Total Transferred to TU: 60 credits.** Students may transfer a maximum of 64 credits.

## **Degree Requirements to be completed at Towson University:**

### **Core Curriculum Requirements: 6 units**

Core 9 Advanced Writing Seminar (This will be satisfied by COMM 300 in the major)

Core 14 Ethical Issues and Perspectives or Core 13 Diversity and Difference

### **Major Required Courses: 12 units**

- COMM 300 Research Methods (3 units- counted above in core curriculum requirements)
- COMM 311 Rhetorical Theory and Criticism (3 units)
- COMM 419 Organizational Communication (3 units)
- COMM 450 Capstone in Communication Studies (3 units)
- COMM 477 Intercultural Communication (3 units)

### **Public Discourse and Advocacy Major Electives: 6 units**

Select two from the following:

- COMM 331 Advocacy and Argument
- COMM 303 Advanced Public Speaking
- COMM 304 Persuasion
- COMM 360 Communication and Social Protest
- COMM 365 Visual Communication
- COMM 390 Communication and Politics
- COMM 420 Communication Law
- COMM 470 Topics in Public Disclosure and Advocacy

### **Identity and Culture Major Electives: 3 units**

Select one from the following:

- COMM 333 Introduction to Performance Studies
- COMM 345 Sexual Communication
- COMM 368 Communication and Popular Culture
- COMM 382 African American Communication
- COMM 440 Communication and Gender
- COMM 471 Topics in Identity and Culture

### **Leadership and Organizational Communication Major Electives: 6 units**

Select two from the following:

- COMM 231 Nonverbal Communication
- COMM 315 Business and Professional Communication
- COMM 380 Leadership Communication
- COMM 418 Communication Training and Development
- COMM 422 Conference Planning and Management
- COMM 472 Topics in Leadership and Organizational Communication

### **Horizons Major Courses**

Select one from the following:

- COMM 349 Practicum I
- COMM 350 Practicum II
- COMM 490 Internship Communication Study
- COMM 494 Study Abroad
- COMM 495 Independent Study in Communication Studies
- IDFA 470 Special Topics in Arts, Media and Communication
- IDFA 471 Special Topics in Social Action
- IDFA 493 Interdisciplinary Fine Arts Independent Study

Students must complete a minimum of 120 units for the bachelor's degree. 60 credits will be transferred from Cecil and 36 units are needed to complete TU's Core Curriculum and Communication Studies major requirements. The remaining 24 units are general electives that may be satisfied with courses of the student's choosing.

### **Additional Bachelor Degree Requirements:**

- A C(2.0) or higher is required in all major courses and prerequisites
- A cumulative GPA of 2.0 is required
- 32 units of the bachelor's degree must be completed at the upper level (300 level courses or above)