Agricultural Communication

Department Information

- **Department Location:** Minard Hall
- **Department Phone:** 701-231-7705
- **Department Web Site:** www.ndsu.edu/communication/
- **Credential Offered:** B.S.; B.A.
- **Plan Of Study Sample:** bulletin.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/agricultural-communication/#planofstudytext

Major Requirements

**Major: Agricultural Communication**

**Degree Type:** B.A. or B.S.

**Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate:** 120

**University Degree Requirements**

1. Satisfactory completion of all requirements of the curriculum in which one is enrolled.
2. Earn a minimum total of 120 credits in approved coursework. Some academic programs exceed this minimum.
3. Satisfactory completion of the general education requirements as specified by the university.
4. A minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
5. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
6. Transfer Students: Must earn a minimum of 60 credits from a baccalaureate-degree granting or professional institution.
   a. Of these 60, at least 36 must be NDSU resident credits as defined in #7.
   b. Within the 36 resident credits, a minimum of 15 must be in courses numbered 300 or higher and 15 credits in the major field of study.
7. At least 36 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Resident credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation) section of this Bulletin.

**University General Education Requirements**

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<td>Upper Division Writing †</td>
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<td>Humanities and Fine Arts (A) †</td>
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<td>Cultural Perspectives (G) †</td>
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**Total Credits** 39

* May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.

† General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review major requirements to determine if specific courses can also satisfy these general education categories.
A list of university approved general education courses and administrative policies are available here (http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursedtext).

Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Degree Requirements

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree – The completion of a minor program of study, a second major, or a second degree is required.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree – Second year language proficiency at college level required.

Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences College Requirements

An additional 9 credits are required by the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences for all Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degree programs of study, except the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, the Bachelor of Music degree, the Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree, and the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Environmental Design:

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<td>AH&amp;SS College Requirements</td>
<td>Courses used to satisfy any general education requirement cannot be used to also count toward the AH&amp;SS College Requirements. A minimum of three credits is required in each of the 3 following areas for a total of 9 credits. Choose only those courses with the prefixes listed for each area. A course with the WGS prefix can only be used in one area.</td>
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<td>Area One: Humanities</td>
<td>ARB, ENGL, FREN, GERM, HIST, HUM, PHIL, RELS, SPAN, or WGS</td>
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<td>COMM 114</td>
<td>Human Communication</td>
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<td>COMM 212</td>
<td>Interpersonal Communication</td>
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<td>COMM 220</td>
<td>Persuasion</td>
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<td>Professional Agricultural Communication Major:</td>
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<td>COMM 101</td>
<td>Majors and Careers in Communication</td>
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<td>COMM 133</td>
<td>Introduction to Agricultural Communication</td>
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<td>Introduction to Media Writing</td>
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<td>COMM 310</td>
<td>Advanced Media Writing</td>
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<td>Communication Research Methods</td>
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<td>Principles of Design For Media</td>
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<td>COMM 431</td>
<td>Communication Ethics and Law</td>
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<td>COMM 465</td>
<td>Convergence Media (Capstone)</td>
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<td>COMM 496</td>
<td>Field Experience</td>
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<td>Select one of the following for the upper division writing requirement:</td>
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<td>ENGL 320</td>
<td>Business and Professional Writing</td>
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<td>Writing in the Technical Professions</td>
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ENGL 357  Visual Culture and Language
ENGL 358  Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences
ENGL 459  Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal

**Electives:** 15

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**Minor Requirement:** 16

Students are required to minor in Animal Science, Crop and Weed Science, Equine Science, Food Safety, Natural Resource Management, Range Science, or Soil Science.

**Total Credits:** 77

**Minor Notes:**
- Student enrollment is limited to one degree program offered by the Department of Communication.

**Minor Requirements**

**Agricultural Communication Minor**

**Minor Requirements**

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**Total Credits:** 21
Minor Requirements and Notes

- Students must earn a minimum GPA of 2.75 in courses applied to the minor.
- Student enrollment is limited to one degree program offered by the Department of Communication.
- A minimum of 9 credits must be taken at NDSU.