# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS 2023/2024

General Education Pathways
Diversity Course Requirements
CMST Core, Option, Elective
Minor & Electives
Total

48 Units
6 Units
45 Units
21 Units
120 Units

\*These units will vary depending on course selections with some CMST majors needing more or less.

Monitor your DPR.

CMST majors must carefully and regularly monitor unit counts and graduation requirements using the Degree Progress Report (DPR).

DEGREE CO	ORE: 27 UNITS REQUIRED	Units	Completed	In Progress	Need
CMST 131*	Speech Communication Fundamentals F/S GE	3			
CMST 132*	Small Group Communication F/S <b>GE</b>	3			
CMST 233	Foundations of Interpersonal Communication F/S	3			
CMST 235*	Intercultural Communication Theories & Practice F/S GE USD	3			
CMST 330	Introduction to Communication Studies F/S	3			
CMST 331W	Communication Scholarship (ENGL 130W or its equivalent with				
	of grade of C- or higher; CMST majors and minors only) F/S W	3			
CMST 332	Communication Research (CMST 131, CMST 330, and				
	CMST 331W with a grade of C- or higher) F/S	3			
CMST 350	Foundations of Rhetorical Comm. Theories & Practice (CMST 131,				
	CMST 330, and CMST 331W with a grade of C- or higher) F/S	3			
CMST 370	Introduction to Organizational Communication (CMST 131,				
	CMST 330, and CMST 331W with a grade of C- or higher) F/S	3			

## COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS OPTION: 18 UNITS REQUIRED

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3 courses requi	rea:			
CMST 255*	Argumentation and Debate F/S <b>GE</b>	3		
CMST 452W	Freedom of Speech (Completion of GE Written Communication (A2) requirement, CMST 131, 330, 331W, 350, & 370 with a grade of C- or higher for CMST majors or by faculty permission for non-majors.) F/S <b>GW W</b>	3		
CMST 453	Persuasion & Rhetoric (CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, CMST 350			
	& CMST 370 with a grade of C- or higher for CMST majors) F/S	3		
9 units required	d: (selected from the elective list on the reverse side)			

#### \* General Education Courses

() Prerequisites are listed in parentheses after course title

**NOTE:** All majors must complete CMST 131, 330, 331W, 350 & 370 with a C- or higher prior to enrolling in most 400 level courses. Students should review individual 400 courses for specific prerequisites.

No more than 3 units of Forensics (CMST 339) may be counted towards the major. No more than 8 units of Forensics (CMST 339) may be counted towards University requirements.

**Formal Minor Requirement:** Communication Studies majors must complete a formal minor or a second major in a department outside of Communication Studies. Students must obtain their CMST major advisor's approval on their selection of a minor or a second major and meet with an advisor from their selected minor or second major. Go to www.csuchico.edu/cmst for more information on the minor requirement.

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### **CMST ELECTIVE COURSE SELECTIONS:**

CMST 234*	Gender and Communication [3.0 units] F/S <b>GE</b>
CMST 339A	Forensics [1.0 units] F/S
CMST 339B	Forensics [2.0 units] F/S
CMST 339C	Forensics [3.0 units] F/S
CMST 360	Health Communication [3.0 units] F
CMST 382	Advanced Comm & Career Skills (CMST 131, 132, & 330, all with a grade
	of C- or higher) [3.0 units] F/S
CMST 424	Public Opinion and Propaganda (CMST 131, 330, 331W, & 350 with a grade of C- or
	higher for CMST majors only.) [3.0 units] F/S
CMST 428	Politics and the Media (CMST 131, 330, 331W, & 350 with a grade of C- or higher for
	CMST majors only.) [3.0 units] FA
CMST 460	Applied Research in Health Communication (CMST 330 &331W for CMST majors only) [3.0 units] S
CMST 488	Communication Issues in Nonprofits (CMST 131, 330, 331W, 350 & 370 with a grade of C- or higher)
	[3.0 units] F/S
CMST 489	Internship Program (Completion of 18 units within either the Major Core, Organizational Comunication
	Option, or Communication and Public Affairs Option. [3.0 units] FS

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## **Advising Tips:**

- Students are advised to take CMST 330 & 331W together and then take CMST 332 the semester after.
- Communication & Public Affairs Option students should complete CMST 350 & 370 at the same time; however if that is not possible, be sure to complete CMST 350 the semester after completing CMST 131, 330 & 331W with a C- or better. This will allow you to move into CMST 453.
- Regularly meet with a CMST faculty advisor. Go to THMA 201 to obtain an advisor and advising information.
- Complete course prerequisites in prescribed order.
- Monitor your Degree Progress Report (DPR). The DPR provides current information on all degree (GE, University, minor and major) requirements met and unmet.
- Declare your minor by your junior year and meet with a minor adviser.
- On the CMST home page (www. csuchico.edu/cmst), the benefits to completing a minor, as well as how to select a minor, and minors selected by CMST majors is provided to assist you.