

The communication and conflict B.A. focuses on skills and knowledge that empower careers in mediation, arbitration, employee assistance providers, human resources and management. The major also serves as excellent preparation for graduate studies in communication, management and law. Students study the interaction of communication and conflict at all levels from the interpersonal to the intercultural, with a strong emphasis on experiential learning and real world applications. The B.A. in Communication and Conflict is an open access degree program that is committed to offering a complete on-line curriculum supplemented with traditional classes.

COURSE WORK

Fundamental Core Courses – may be completed as part of the general education course plan

SPC 1608 Fundamentals of Oral Communication

STA 2014 Statistics

Internal Restricted Electives

(15 hours required, choose five course options.)

COM 4013 - Communication and the Family

COM 4026 - Current Issues in Communication

COM 4110 - Business and Professional

Communication COM 4014 - Gender Issues in

Communication

COM 4022 - Principles of Health

Communication COM 4550 - Public

Communication Campaigns

COM 4120 - Organizational Communication

COM 4563 - Principles of Social Innovation

and Activism COM 4803 - Third Party

Processes & Intervention COM 4805 -

Transformative Communication

MMC 4300 - International Media

PUR 4000 - Public Relations

PUR 4400 - Crisis Communication

SPC 4426 - Group Dynamics

SPC 4302 - Advanced Interpersonal

Communication SPC 4513C - Argumentation and Advocacy

SPC 4540 - Persuasion and Communication

PROGRAM FEATURES

- Learn from distinguished faculty who are world renowned scholars and professional practitioners.
- Receive personalized academic advising from faculty and professional advisors readily available to students.
- Engage in experiential learning opportunities such as internships and undergraduate research to assist with career goals.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN YOUR MAJOR

- Participate in no credit internships to gain experience in the industry.
- Introduce yourself to faculty, connect with current students in the major and shadow professionals in the field.
- Become a member of student organizations as well as local professional associations.

Advanced Core Courses

COM 3800 - OR- COM 3311

COM 3802

COM 3801 -OR- SPC 3301

COM 4804 -OR- COM 4461

COM 4806

*COM 3800/3311 are co-requisites for most other courses in the major.

External Restricted Electives

Choose a minimum of six (6) upper level credit hours with NSC advisor approval selected from courses in, but not limited to:

- Business
- Leadership Studies
- Legal Studies
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Administration
- Sociology
- Writing and Rhetoric
 - -Only courses not considered internal electives
- NSCM Mass Communication courses not considered internal electives from:*
 - -Adv-Public Relations
 - -Journalism
 - -Radio-Television
 - *Human Comm courses do not meet this requirement.

WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH THIS MAJOR

Jobs that you can hold with this major include:

- Mediation
- Management
- Human Resources Management
- Ombudsperson
- Employee Assistance
- Arbitration



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