


 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST Graduate Programs		UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ Banner Posted _____ Catalog _____
	Department School of Communication and Multimedia Studies College Arts and Letters		
Program Name Communication		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Program <input type="checkbox"/> Change Program	Effective Date (TERM & YEAR) Fall 2023
<p>Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment</p> <p>The School of Com & Multimedia Studies will begin offering our MA program in an online, self-supporting format. The curriculum and requirements mirror our face-to-face MA program. This option will be in addition to our existing program, but offer working professionals an opportunity to earn the degree online.</p> <p>Admissions standards and all program standards will remain the same.</p> <p><u>Admission Requirements</u> A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution A minimum of 3.0 grade point average in the last 60 undergraduate credit hours attempted. Applicants must submit with the application a 500-word typewritten statement of their goals, aspirations and reasons for seeking the M.A. in Communication. This should be sent directly to the address noted below. Submission of two (2) letters of recommendation from sources qualified to evaluate the applicant's preparation for graduate study. Academic recommendations are preferred. Applicants should submit a sample of their academic writing (no fewer than 3,000 words). The writing sample should exhibit sufficient depth and sophistication of thought as well as quality and clarity of writing so as to justify admission into the master's program. Applicants must also submit unofficial transcripts from each college or university attended.</p> <p>See attached.</p>			
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Carol Bishop Mills/cbmills@fau.edu/7-0044		Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation	
Approved by Department Chair  College Curriculum Chair  College Dean  UGPC Chair _____ UGC Chair _____ Graduate College Dean _____ UFS President _____ Provost _____		Date 10/5/2022 10-2-5-22 10/26/2022 _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	

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Master of Arts with Major in Communication

Requirements for Degree—Thesis Option

(Minimum of 30 credits)

1. ~~Fifteen~~ Nine credits of required courses:

a. COM 6400 (3 credits), Introduction to Graduate Studies in Communication;

b. COM 6424 (3 credits), Communication Theory, ~~and also select 3 credits from the following: COM 6415, FIL 6807, MMC 6408, SPC 6234, SPC 6236. No course may be used to fulfill both the theory and method requirements.~~

c. COM 6318 (3 credits), Communication Research and Design, ~~and also select 3 credits from the following: COM 6316, COM 6340, COM 6341, FIL 6807, SPC 6682.~~

2. 15 ~~Nine~~ credits of approved electives, of which a minimum of 9 must be in Communication. Any coursework in a department other than Communication must be approved in writing by a Communication faculty advisor prior to enrollment.

3. Six credits of thesis research.

4. Courses taken to satisfy the foreign language requirement cannot be applied to the degree.

5. Submission of an approved thesis.

6. A minimum 3.0 GPA on all work completed.

7. A grade of "B" or higher on all credit applied to the degree.

Requirements for Degree—Non-Thesis Option

Minimum of ~~36~~ credits 30

1. ~~Fifteen~~ Nine credits of required courses:

a. COM 6400 (3 credits), Introduction to Graduate Studies in Communication;

b. COM 6424 (3 credits), Communication Theory, ~~and also select 3 credits from the following: COM 6415, FIL 6807, MMC 6408, SPC 6234, SPC 6236. No course can be used to fulfill both the theory and method requirements.~~

c. COM 6318 (3 credits), Communication Research and Design, ~~and also select 3 credits from the following: COM 6316, COM 6340, COM 6341, FIL 6807, SPC 6682.~~

2. Twenty-one credits of elective courses, of which 21 must be in Communication. Any coursework in a department other than Communication must be approved in writing by a Communication faculty advisor prior to enrollment.

3. Satisfactory completion of a written comprehensive examination or professional project.

4. Courses taken to satisfy the foreign language requirement do not count toward the ~~36~~ 30 credit degree requirement.

5. A minimum of 3.0 GPA on all work completed.

6. A grade of "B" or higher on all credit applied to the degree.

7. Additional requirements that the student's advisory committee may prescribe.