Major Offered Through:

Portland
Community College

Speech Communication

Majoring in Speech Communication allows students to learn crucial skills that employers seek, like critical thinking, problem solving, and collaboration. All majors and minors take basic courses in public speaking, argumentation, and interpersonal communication. Upper-division coursework focuses on theory and practical application in two areas: relational communication and rhetoric.

Graduates from Speech Communication have gone on to work in a variety of fields that emphasize communication: public relations, training and development, education, nonprofit corporations, mediation, politics, advertising, and sales and management opportunities.

Your Bachelor’s Degree (BA/BS) in the College of Liberal Arts

- A minimum of 180 credits are required for graduation; 60 must be upper division (300 and 400-level courses).
- A maximum of 135 lower division quarter credits earned at a community college may be applied toward a bachelor’s degree at OSU.
- Only courses with letter prefixes and numbers above 100 can be accepted.
- Some courses can count towards your major and the Baccalaureate Core. Check with your advisor.
- Options available. See “Important Notes”.
- See the OSU Catalog for a list of courses required for your major and option: catalog.oregonstate.edu

Courses for this Major (offered at Portland Community College)

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Only 3 credits of LDT are allowed in the major. Courses that articulate to OSU as COMM LDT but are not on this transfer guide can be assumed to be approved courses that will successfully apply to the OSU COMM major.
Important Notes & Resources

**Important Notes for the College and Major:**
- Grade requirements can vary; refer to your OSU advisor.
- See a sample degree plan by searching “Speech Communication” at admissions.oregonstate.edu/find-your-major
- Optional options. May select from: Theatre Arts
- Other similar majors to explore: Digital Communication Arts, Psychology
- COMM 111Z, COMM 114, COMM 218Z and some Baccalaureate Core are priority courses to complete before transferring to OSU.
- Talk with an OSU advisor about your specific timeline for the best time to transfer.
- It is important to speak with your OSU advisor early on, and often, to ensure correct course selection and sequencing.

**Resources and OSU Information:**
- Students do not have to complete a transfer degree in order to transfer to OSU.
  - If you’ve completed the Oregon AAOT, all requirements of the Baccalaureate Core are complete except for Synthesis Courses and Writing Intensive Courses.
- Preparing to apply to OSU? See admissions info: oregonstate.edu/admissions/transfer.html
- Want to take classes at both OSU and an Oregon community college simultaneously? Check out the Degree Partnership Program: partnerships.oregonstate.edu/students
- Visit OSU for a campus tour and meet with an advisor; schedule your visit at visitosu.oregonstate.edu/visit-campus

**General Education Courses** *(called the Baccalaureate Core)*

- Complete one course in each Perspectives category with no more than two in the same department.
- For full listing of courses that fulfill Baccalaureate Core, please refer to [https://admissions.oregonstate.edu/baccalaureate-core-course-equivalencies-portland-community-college](https://admissions.oregonstate.edu/baccalaureate-core-course-equivalencies-portland-community-college)

### SKILLS COURSES
- Math
- Writing I
- Writing II
- Speech (Writing III)
- Fitness
- Many options, see BaccCore link above
- WR 121Z. Required to transfer
- Many options, see BaccCore link above
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- HPE 295

### PERSPECTIVE COURSES
- Biological Science
- Physical Science
- Additional Biological or Physical Science
- Cultural Diversity
- Literature and the Arts
- Social Processes and Institutions
- Western Culture
- Many options, see BaccCore link above
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### DPD COURSE
- Difference, Power, & Discrimination
- Many options, see BaccCore link above

### SYNTHESIS COURSES
- Contemporary Global Issues
- Science, Technology, & Society
- Upper division course, take through OSU
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**Liberal Arts Core**

- Additional 15 credit minimum core of classes for all Liberal Arts majors. Classes from the major department can be used for CLA core.
- For full listing of that fulfill Liberal Arts Core, please refer to your advisor.

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BA/BS Degree Requirements

**BA Requirement:** Second-year proficiency in a second language (including ASL) at the college level with at least a C–.

**BS Requirement:** A minimum 15-credit block of science, computer science, and quantitative studies

For more details and a full list of courses, visit https://catalog.oregonstate.edu/college-departments/liberal-arts/#collegerequirements

Advising Contacts

It is important to speak with your OSU academic advisor early on, and often, to ensure correct course selection and sequencing.

Academic advisors at your community college and OSU are available to answer your questions and assist you in creating a transfer plan. **See your community college advisor first and use this Transfer Guide to help you plan.** Also, consider visiting OSU to take a campus tour and meet with an advisor. See visitosu.oregonstate.edu/visit-campus to schedule your personalized visit.

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