

TRANSFER GUIDE/BDP

BS Digital Journalism, 988A
Appalachian State University
2023-2024

[Department of Communication](#)
[College of Fine and Applied Arts](#)
[Program of Study](#)

HOW-TO Use the Transfer Guide/BDP

The Transfer Guides/BDPs have three sections:

1. The NC Community College courses are listed in the top section. Recommended and/or preferred courses are provided, with the equivalent Appalachian courses listed. If a specific course is not listed, students should use the blue hyperlink to access the [Comprehensive Articulation Agreement transfer course list](#). Students are welcome to choose any CAA course; however, students should choose courses that are available at their institution and satisfy their transfer degree requirements.
2. Appalachian courses are listed in the middle section. Once at Appalachian, students will work with an advisor to develop an individual graduation plan.
3. Important transfer and major information is listed in the bottom section. Students should refer to these sections for information regarding program requirements and other important information the department would like students to be aware of.

Please note - Transfer Guides/BDPs are developed based on the approved curriculum for that catalog year. Depending on term of entry and the curriculum posted for that catalog year, programs of study may have changed.

Community College Coursework: 61 Transfer hours		Associate in Arts			
Semester 1: 14 hours	NCCC Course	Course Name	Hours	Appalachian Equivalent	Notes
	ENG 111	Writing & Inquiry	3	RC 1000	
	UGETC	Quantitative Literacy	4		
	UGETC	Humanities/Fine Arts	3		
	UGETC	Social/Behavioral Sciences	3		
	ACA 122	College Transfer Success	1		
	Semester hours			14	
Semester 2: 16 hours	NCCC Course	Course Name	Hours	Appalachian Equivalent	Notes
	ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	RC 2001	
	UGETC	Humanities/Fine Arts	3		
	UGETC	Social/Behavioral Sciences	3		
	COM 231	Public Speaking	3	COM 2105	Required for the major
	Pre-Major/Elective		3		
	Semester hours			15	
Semester 3: 17 hours	NCCC Course	Course Name	Hours	Appalachian Equivalent	Notes
	UGETC	Natural Science course	4		
	UGETC	Social/Behavioral Sciences	3		
	UGETC		3		
	GEC Elective		3		
	Pre-Major/Elective		3		
	Semester hours			16	
Semester 4: 13 hours	NCCC Course	Course Name	Hours	Appalachian Equivalent	Notes
	COM 120 or 140	Interpersonal/Intercultural Communication	3	COM 2121 or COM 2124	Major Elective
	GEC Elective		3		
	Pre-Major/Elective		3		
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	Semester hours			15	
Total AA degree hours			60		

Appalachian Coursework: 60 hours				
Semester 5: 15 hours	Appalachian Course	Course Name	Hours	Notes
	COM 1200	Thinking through Communication	3	
	COM 1300	Journalism Matters: Intro to News	3	
	COM 2618	Introduction to Media Publishing	3	
	Minor Course 1		3	
	Minor Course 2		3	
Semester hours			15	
Semester 6: 15 hours	Appalachian Course	Course Name	Hours	Notes
	COM 2610 OR 2650		3	Choose one
	COM 3305	Communication Law	3	
	COM 3340	Journalism Ethics and a Free Society	3	
	COM 2250 or 2315 or 3900		3	Choose one
	Minor Course 3		3	
Semester hours			15	
Semester 7: 13 hours	Appalachian Course	Course Name	Hours	Notes
	COM 3210	Copy Editing	3	
	COM 3320	Audio-Video Production	3	
	COM 3600	In-Depth Reporting & Writing	3	Writing in the Discipline
	Mass Media Course		3	Choose one: COM 3300 or 3130 or 3132 or 3650
	Minor Course 4		3	
Semester hours			15	
Semester 8: 13 hours	Appalachian Course	Course Name	Hours	Notes
	4000 level elective		3	Choose one: COM 4220, 4310, 4420, 4240, 4440 or 4650
	Major Elective		3	If you took COM 120 or 140 at the community college, major elective course is complete.
	COM 4610	Mobile Journalism	3	CAPSTONE
	Minor Course 5		3	
	Minor Course 6		3	If minor is complete, take a Free Elective to be sure to reach 120 hours to graduate
Semester hours			15	
Total Appalachian hours			60	

Applying to Appalachian:

- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.25, from all post-secondary coursework, is required for admission to Appalachian.
- Students interested in applying to Appalachian should submit an application and official college transcripts to be considered for admission.
- Students hoping to attend a summer or fall term are encouraged to apply by February 15th and those hoping to attend in the spring are encouraged to apply by October 15th.

A minor is required for all Communication majors. Depending on your minor, some coursework can be taken as part of your Associate of Arts degree - talk to your Transfer Admissions Counselor for more information.

Admission to the Department of Communication:

- Students must have an overall GPA of 2.0 (or higher) to declare a major in Communication Studies.

Portfolio Requirement:

- The Department of Communication requires all graduating seniors to develop a portfolio. Students should plan to begin collecting content for their portfolio as soon as they enter the program.
 - Writing sample; computer skills sample; analytical skills sample
 - Optional: photography/design sample
- In addition to specific requirements, portfolios should also include a resume and self-assessment paper that accurately and adequately state communication skills.

Transfer Resources:

Transfer Admissions & Engagement transfer.appstate.edu
Office of Admissions admissions.appstate.edu
Office of Financial Aid financialaid.appstate.edu
Scholarships scholarships.appstate.edu
Career Development careers.appstate.edu
University Housing housing.appstate.edu
Off-Campus Housing offcampushousing.appstate.edu
Campus Activities campusactivities.appstate.edu

