

TRANSFER GUIDE/BDP

BS, Communication, Journalism, 517A  
Appalachian State University  
2021-2022

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

**STUDENTS SHOULD PLAN TO BEGIN APPALACHIAN COURSEWORK DURING THE SUMMER TERM. (SEE BELOW)**

**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 yellow 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 \(CAA\) 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 gray section. Some majors recommend a summer start term, which is listed in red at the top of the transfer guide/BDP and again in the grey section. Students should use this information to apply to Appalachian based on the recommended start term.
3. Important transfer and major information is listed in the bottom white sections. 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: 60 Transfer hours		Associate in Arts			
Semester 1: 14 hours	NCCC Course	Course Name	Hours	Appalachian Equivalent	Notes
	ENG 111	Writing & Inquiry	3	RC 1000	
	<a href="#">UGETC</a>	Math	4		
	<a href="#">UGETC</a>	Humanity/Fine Art	3		
	<a href="#">UGETC</a>	Social/Behavioral Science	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	
	<a href="#">UGETC</a>	Humanity/Fine Art	3		
	<a href="#">UGETC</a>	Social/Behavioral Science	3		
	<a href="#">UGETC</a>	Social/Behavioral Science	3		
	<a href="#">UGETC</a>	Natural Science	4		
		Semester hours	16		
Semester 3: 15 hours	NCCC Course	Course Name	Hours	Appalachian Equivalent	Notes
	COM 231	Public Speaking	3	COM 2105	
	<a href="#">Pre-Major/Elective/GEC</a>		3		
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		Semester hours	15		
Semester 4: 15 hours	NCCC Course	Course Name	Hours	Appalachian Equivalent	Notes
	<a href="#">Pre-Major/Elective/GEC</a>		3		
	<a href="#">Pre-Major/Elective/GEC</a>		3		
	<a href="#">Pre-Major/Elective/GEC</a>		3		
	<a href="#">Pre-Major/Elective/GEC</a>		3		
	<a href="#">Pre-Major/Elective/GEC</a>		3		
		Semester hours	15		
		<b>Total AA degree hours</b>	<b>60</b>		

Appalachian Course Work: 63 hours				
<b>Summer: 6 hours</b>	<b>Appalachian Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	COM 1200	Thinking Through Communication	3	Offered Online
	COM 1300	Journalism Matters	3	
		Summer hours	6	
<b>Semester 5: 12 hours</b>	<b>Appalachian Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	COM 2610 OR 2650		3	Choose one: COM 1300 must be completing prior to registering for either course
	COM 2618	Intro to Media Publishing	3	
	TEC 1022, ART 2026 OR CI 4740		3	Choose one: Prereq for COM 4220, if taken for major
	Minor Course		3	
	Semester hours	12		
<b>Semester 6: 15 hours</b>	<b>Appalachian Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	COM 3210	Copy Editing	3	
	COM 3300, 3130, 3132 OR 3650		3	Choose one
	COM 3320	Audio-Video Production	3	
	Minor Course		3	
	Minor Course		3	
	Semester hours	15		
<b>Semester 7: 15 hours</b>	<b>Appalachian Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	COM 4220 OR 4310 OR 4420 OR 4650		3	Choose one
	COM 3340	Journalism Ethics & a Free Society	3	
	COM 3305	Communication Law	3	
	COM 3600	Feature Writing	3	Writing in the Discipline
	Minor Course		3	
	Semester hours	15		
<b>Semester 8: 15 hours</b>	<b>Appalachian Course</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	COM 4610	Specialized Reporting - CAPSTONE	3	Portfolio required: COM 3600 must be completed prior to portfolio review
	Major Elective		3	
	Specialization Course		3	
	Specialization Course		3	
	Minor		3	
	Semester hours	15		
	<b>Total Appalachian hours</b>		<b>63</b>	

**Applying to Appalachian:**

- A minimum cumulative GPA, from all post-secondary coursework, is required for admission to Appalachian.
- Students interested in applying to Appalachian should submit an on-line 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.

**Admission to the Department of Communication:**

- Transfer students may be allowed to declare a Communication major if they have earned a 2.5 cumulative GPA on coursework completed prior to attending Appalachian.

**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.
  - Samples of work from COM 2600 and COM 2610, COM 3210 or COM 3310, COM 3600, COM 4420 or examples of video, audio, or online reporting, or news beat-related blogging
  - Optional: photography/design samples
- 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](https://transfer.appstate.edu)  
**Office of Admissions** [admissions.appstate.edu](https://admissions.appstate.edu)  
**Office of Financial Aid** [financialaid.appstate.edu](https://financialaid.appstate.edu)  
**Scholarships** [scholarships.appstate.edu](https://scholarships.appstate.edu)  
**Career Development** [careers.appstate.edu](https://careers.appstate.edu)  
**University Housing** [housing.appstate.edu](https://housing.appstate.edu)  
**Off-Campus Housing** [offcampushousing.appstate.edu](https://offcampushousing.appstate.edu)  
**Campus Activities** [campusactivities.appstate.edu](https://campusactivities.appstate.edu)



Questions, please call Transfer Admissions & Engagement at 828-262-7877