

COMMUNICATION STUDIES TRANSFER ASSURANCE GUIDE (TAG)
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Ohio Transfer Module:		
Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) Requirements: 36-40 semester hours / 54-60 quarter hours. Students should select courses within the OTM that complement the selected major and meet any specific general education requirements. Students are encouraged to complete the OTM to ensure maximum transferability and application of credits.		
Required Disciplines	Minimum Required Hours	Recommended Courses
Area I. English Composition	3 sem. / 5-6 qtr.	
Area II. Mathematics	3 sem. / 3 qtr.	
Area III. Arts & Humanities	6 sem. / 9 qtr.	
Area IV. Social Sciences	6 sem. / 9 qtr.	
Area V. Natural & Physical Science	6 sem. / 9 qtr.	
Additional courses beyond the minimum required hours, from any of the disciplines listed above, will count toward the completion of the OTM (36-40 semester hours or 54-60 quarter hours).		
Foreign Language - Demonstrate competencies through the 200 level. Credits: Up to 16 semester hours / 24 quarter hours.		
Major Courses– Hours/courses listed below that count toward the major or pre-major requirements.		
a. Introduction to Communication Theory – OCM001	Credits: 3 semester hours / 3-5 quarter hours	
Advising Notes:		
b. Interpersonal Communication – OCM002	Credits: 3 semester hours / 3-5 quarter hours	
Advising Notes:		
c. Small Group Communication – OCM003	Credits: 3 semester hours / 3-5 quarter hours	
Advising Notes:		
d. Public Speaking/Oral Communication – OCM004	Credits: 3 semester hours / 3-5 quarter hours	
Advising Notes:		
Transfer Assurance Guides Total Guaranteed Credits (Range)		
• Ohio Transfer Module	36 – 40 sem.	54 – 60 qtr.
• Foreign Language	0 – 16 sem.	0 – 24 qtr.
• Pre-major / Major	0 – 12 sem.	0 – 12 to 20 qtr.

Institutional Requirements: For entrance and graduation, a transfer student must meet all institutional requirements which would include, but may not be limited to: minimum grade point average, residency requirements, upper division credits attained, minimum grades in specific courses, performance requirements (ex. dance, music) and other requirements of native students from the same institution.

OCM001 – INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION THEORY
3 Semester Hours/3-5 Quarter Hours

Related TAGs: Communication Studies

General Course Description

This course introduces students to the theories of human communication

1. Demonstrate understanding of elements of the communication process and the requisite skills for becoming effective communicators in a variety of contexts
2. Define and explain basic terms, principles, and theories of interpersonal, group, organizational, intercultural, public, and/or media communication
3. Critically apply communication theories to a variety of contexts
4. Identify major theorists in the field of communication
5. Demonstrate understanding of the foundation of communication theory in preparation for advanced study

OCM002 – INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION
3 Semester Hours/3-5 Quarter Hours

Related TAGs: Communication Studies

General Course Description

Explore the development, maintenance, and termination of interpersonal relationships

1. Define and explain basic terms, principles, and theories of interpersonal communication
2. Analyze, adjust, and improve own communication behaviors
3. Critically apply interpersonal theories to a variety of communication contexts
4. Demonstrate understanding of the following aspects of interpersonal relationships: verbal, nonverbal, listening, perception, conflict, power, influence, and/or gender/diversity

OCM003 – SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATIONS
3 Semester Hours/3-5 Quarter Hours

Related TAGs: Communication Studies

General Course Description

Explore communicating and working in small groups

1. Define and explain basic terms, principles, and theories of small group communication
2. Analyze, adjust, and improve own communication behaviors in groups
3. Demonstrate understanding of various types of group participation (leadership, roles, goal achievement, conflict, decision making, problem solving)
4. Develop critical thinking and observation skills for the group process
5. Competently report group outcomes

OCM004 – PUBLIC SPEAKING/ORAL COMMUNICATION(as Defined within the Ohio Transfer Module)
3 Semester Hours/3-5 Quarter Hours

Related TAGs: Communication Studies

“The major emphasis should be on the presentation of oral communication, although the course(s) may include other components such as group presentations, presentations, argumentation and debate, and oral interpretation. Typically, hybrid courses in oral communications include examination of communication theory, but should concentrate on evaluated oral presentation as the primary focus of the course.

1. The majority (at least 51% of the course) must emphasize presentational speaking (individualized/group work) to be reflected in
 - a. Course objectives
 - b. Assignments
 - c. Evaluation
2. This does not preclude a course from including communication principles leading up to the study or understanding of the oral communication process in other forms (e.g. interviewing, interpersonal, dyads, and listening).
3. Courses in which the main focus is primarily theory or the study of communication styles are **not acceptable**.
4. This course in oral communication **is in addition to English composition** and **does not replace nor can it be substituted for written composition courses.**”

Source: The Ohio Articulation and Transfer Policy Handbook, Ohio Board of Regents, November 2002, page 35