The Communication (Media) degree integrates courses in journalism and news editorial and applies current trends and technologies to create a cohesive academic program that meets clearly articulated goals that appropriately describe its scope and mission. Community college students are encouraged to complete an Associate in Arts degree prior to transfer.

Note: Students should be computer literate. Computer skills may be acquired before or early in the college experience.

Students who have already chosen the university to which they plan to transfer should consult that institution's catalog or department advisor and an SVCC academic advisor in planning their program. Transfer guides for some universities are available at svcc.edu/transfer.

Communication (Media) - Journalism/News Editorial/Photojournalism - IAI Recommended Baccalaureate Curriculum

Program Contacts at Sauk Valley Community College

- Academic Advising, 815-835-6354
- Thomas Irish, Assistant Professor of English, 815-835-6394
- Dr. Patricia Fulfs, Professor of Communication, 815-835-6224

Total Hours Required - 66 Hours

Suggested Program

First Semester - 16 Hours

- Math 3 Semester hour(s)
- Humanities/Fine Arts 3 Semester hour(s)
- Social/Behavioral Science 3 Semester hour(s)
- COM 181 Intro to Mass Communication (3 Semester Hours)
- ENG 101 Composition I (3 Semester Hours)
- FYE 101 First Year Experience (1 Semester Hours)

Second Semester - 16 Hours

- *Electives/Foreign Language 4 Semester hour(s)
- **Personal Development 3 Semester hour(s)
- Social/Behavioral Science 3 Semester hour(s)
- COM 131 Intro to Oral Communication (3 Semester Hours)
- ENG 103 Composition II (3 Semester Hours)

Third Semester - 16-17 Hours

- *Electives/Foreign Language 4 Semester hour(s)
- Fine Arts 3 Semester hour(s)
- ***Life Science 3-4 Semester hour(s)
- ENG 153 Basic News Writing (3 Semester Hours)
- ENG 270 Creative Writing (3 Semester Hours)

Fourth Semester - 16-17 Hours

- *Humanities/Foreign Language 4 Semester hour(s)
- ***Physical Science 3-4 Semester hour(s)
- Social/Behavioral Science 3 Semester hour(s)
- ENG 154 Basic News Editing (3 Semester Hours)

• ENG 271 - Creative Writing II (3 Semester Hours)

Footnotes

- *Three to four semesters of a college level foreign language or three to four years of a high school level foreign language maybe required for a Bachelor of Arts degree. Bachelor of Science degree may require more courses in mathematics, statistics and/or computer science. Contact an academic advisor for more information.
- *Art Photography courses also recommended (ART 103, ART 225).
- **Students are encouraged to take COM 161 to meet this requirement.
- ***One lab science required.