

Academic Programs

Associate in Arts Degree with a Concentration in Communication (Media) (614)

The Communication (Media) concentration integrates courses in news writing and editing and applies current trends and technologies while preparing students to transfer to a four-year institution to earn a bachelor's degree in Communication (Media).

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

Transfer Considerations

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.

Competitive Admissions

Since admission is competitive, completing the recommended courses does not by itself guarantee admission.

Special Considerations

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

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

Minimum Total Credit Hours - 65 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)
- COM181 - Intro to Mass Communication (3 Semester Hours)
- ENG101 - Composition I (3 Semester Hours)
- FYE101 - First Year Experience (1 Semester Hours)

Second Semester - 16 Hours

- *Electives/Foreign Language 4 Semester hour(s)
 - Social/Behavioral Science 3 Semester hour(s)
 - ART103 - Digital Photography (3 Semester Hours)
- OR**
- ART225 - Photography I (3 Semester Hours)
 - COM131 - Intro to Oral Communication (3 Semester Hours)
 - ENG103 - 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)
- ENG153 - Basic News Writing (3 Semester Hours)
- ENG270 - 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)
- ENG154 - Basic News Editing (3 Semester Hours)
- ENG271 - 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.
- **One lab science required.