

Northern Virginia Community College 2008-2009 Catalog

LIBERAL ARTS:

Speech Communication Specialization

Associate of Arts Degree

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Purpose: The Liberal Arts major with the specialization in Speech Communication is designed for students who wish to study speech communication at the college level or who wish to transfer to a four-year institution for a baccalaureate degree.

Transfer Information: Students are advised to work closely with the faculty and counseling staff for program and course scheduling. Electives should be chosen carefully to meet requirements of transfer institution. The responsibility for proper course selection rests with the student.

| Two Years | | Credits |
|----------------------|---|----------------|
| 1st Semester | | |
| ENG | 111 College Composition I | 3 |
| ¹ _____ | 201 Foreign Language | 3 |
| ² MTH | 151 Math for the Liberal Arts I | 3 |
| ³ _____ | Natural Science/Lab Elective | 4 |
| ⁴ PED | 116 Lifetime Fitness & Wellness | 1 |
| SDV | Elective | <u>1</u> |
| | Total | 15 |
| 2nd Semester | | |
| ⁵ ENG | 112 College Composition II | 3 |
| ¹ _____ | 202 Foreign Language | 3 |
| ² MTH | 152 Math for the Liberal Arts II | 3 |
| ³ _____ | Natural Science/Lab Elective | 4 |
| ⁴ PED/RPK | Elective | 1 |
| ⁶ SPD | Elective | <u>3</u> |
| | Total | 17 |
| 3rd Semester | | |
| ⁷ ENG | Literature Elective | 3 |
| _____ | General Elective | 1 |
| ⁸ HIS | Elective | 3 |
| ⁹ _____ | Social Science Elective | 3 |
| ⁶ SPD | Elective | <u>3</u> |
| | Total | 13 |
| 4th Semester | | |
| CSC | 110 Introduction to Computing | 3 |
| ⁸ HIS | Elective | 3 |
| ¹⁰ _____ | Humanities/Fine Arts Elective | 3 |
| ⁹ _____ | Social Science Elective | 3 |
| SPD | 126 Interpersonal Communication or SPD 227 Business and Professional Communication or SPD 229 Intercultural Communication | <u>3</u> |
| | Total | 15 |

Total credits for the A.A. Degree in Liberal Arts with a Specialization in Speech Communication = 60.

¹ Students completing the A.A. in Liberal Arts must demonstrate intermediate college-level (201-202) proficiency in a language other than English. The 201-202 courses require a prerequisite proficiency equivalent to the 101-102 sequence in the language. Placement testing determines initial foreign language level. Students completing 101-102 foreign language may use those credits to meet general elective requirements. Waivers or credit by exam (through CLEP) for previous experience is available for *some* languages. Students whose native language is not English may substitute general electives for foreign language upon the approval of the advising division dean.

² Any higher-level mathematics course may be substituted; see transfer requirements.

³ The science elective may be selected from biology, chemistry, physics, geology, or natural science courses with a lab component, listed under General Education Electives. Some four-year colleges require a two-semester sequence.

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⁴ The PED requirement may be met by one of the following options: PED 116, 2 cr.; PED 116, 1 cr. plus a PED activities course, 1 cr.; or PED 116, 1 cr. plus RPK activities course. PED 116 is offered as both a 1-credit and a 2-credit course.

⁵ ENG 125 may be substituted with the advice of a counselor or faculty advisor according to requirements of transfer institutions.

⁶ The SPD elective may be selected from the following: SPD 100, 110, 115, 126, 227, or 229.

⁷ Any 200-level literature course with an ENG prefix satisfies this requirement.

⁸ HIS 101-102 or HIS 121-122 are recommended.

⁹ The social science elective may be selected from the social/behavioral sciences courses listed under General Education Electives.

¹⁰ Humanities/fine arts elective may be selected from the humanities/fine arts courses listed under General Education Electives. Elective should be selected with advice of a counselor or faculty advisor to meet requirements of transfer institution.