

# ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.A. Liberal Arts Communication Studies  
Specialization/B.A. Communication  
2018-19

## ADVANCE Program Milestones

1. Students must take SDV 100 or SDV 101 in the first semester at NOVA.
2. Students must begin Developmental coursework in the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
3. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MTE or ENF courses (excluding summer).
4. In the first 30 credits, students must:
  - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 125 with a C or better.
  - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.
  - c. Engineering students must begin the calculus sequence and complete Calculus I and II with a B or better.
5. Students must complete at least six degree-applicable credits with a C or better each fall and spring semester.
6. Students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA

NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT SEQUENCE		Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills <b>OR</b> SDV 101 Orientation to XXX	UNIV 100	Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	World Language #1 (or Elective if placed out of World Language)	3-5	ARA 101 Beginning Arabic I <b>OR</b> FRE 101 Beginning French I <b>OR</b> SPA 101 Beginning Spanish I <b>OR</b> ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to the Theatre <b>OR</b> PHI 111 Logic I	ARAB 101 FREN 101 SPAN 101 ARTH 201 THR 101 PHIL 173	CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang Elective Elective Elective
4	CST Course #1	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking <b>OR</b> CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100	Oral Comm
5	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I <b>OR</b> CHM 101 General Chemistry I <b>OR</b> ENV 121 General Environmental Science I <b>OR</b> GOL 105 Physical Geology <b>OR</b> PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103 CHEM 103 EVPP 110 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	NAT SCIENCE
6	ENG Course	3	ENG 125 Introduction to Literature	ENGH 201	Literature
7	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative Reasoning
8	World Language #2 (or Elective if placed out of World Language)	3-5	ARA 102 Beginning Arabic II <b>OR</b> FRE 102 Beginning French I <b>OR</b> SPA 102 Beginning Spanish I <b>OR</b> SPA 115 Intensive Beginning Spanish <b>OR</b> ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to the Theatre <b>OR</b> PHI 111 Logic I	ARAB 102 FREN 102 SPAN 102 SPAN 115 ARTH 201 THR 101 PHIL 173	CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang Elective Elective Elective
9	Science Course #2	4	BIO 102 General Biology II <b>OR</b> CHM 102 General Chemistry II <b>OR</b> ENV 122 General Environmental Science II <b>OR</b> GOL 106 Historical Geology <b>OR</b> PHY 102 Introduction to Physics II	BIOL 104 CHEM 104 EVPP 111 GEOL 102 PHYS 104	NAT SCIENCE
10	CST Course #2	3	CST 229 Intercultural Communication	COMM L305	Global
11	World Language #3 (or Elective if placed out of World Language)	3-4	ARA 201 Intermediate Arabic I <b>OR</b> FRE 201 Intermediate French I <b>OR</b> SPA 201 Intermediate Spanish I <b>OR</b> SPA 205 Spanish for Heritage Speakers I <b>OR</b> ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to the Theatre <b>OR</b> PHI 111 Logic I	ARAB 201 FREN 201 SPAN 201 SPAN 210 ARTH 201 THR 101 PHIL 173	CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang Elective Elective Elective

12	HIS Course #1	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I <b>OR</b> HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II <b>OR</b> HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ
13	MTH 245	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	Elective
14	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation <b>OR</b> ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I <b>OR</b> ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to Theatre <b>OR</b> CST 151 Film Appreciation I <b>OR</b> MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	ARTH 101 ARTH 200 ARTH 201 THR 101 ENGL 372 MUSI 101	Arts
15	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics <b>OR</b> ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics <b>OR</b> GEO 210 Introduction to Cultural Geography <b>OR</b> HIS 121 United States History I <b>OR</b> HIS 122 United States History II <b>OR</b> PLS 135 American National Politics <b>OR</b> PLS 211 United States Government I <b>OR</b> PSY 200 Principles of Psychology <b>OR</b> PSY 230 Developmental Psychology <b>OR</b> SOC 200 Principles of Sociology <b>OR</b> SOC 212 Principles of Anthropology II	ECON 104 ECON 103 GGS 103 HIST 121 HIST 122 GOVT 103 GOVT 103 PSYC 100 PSYC 211 SOCI 101 ANTH 114	Soc/Behav
16	World Language #4 (or Elective if placed out of World Language)	3-4	ARA 202 Intermediate Arabic II <b>OR</b> FRE 202 Intermediate French II <b>OR</b> SPA 202 Intermediate Spanish II <b>OR</b> SPA 206 Spanish for Heritage Speakers II <b>OR</b> ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to the Theatre <b>OR</b> PHI 111 Logic I	ARAB 202 FREN 202 SPAN 202 SPAN 250 ARTH 201 THR 101 PHIL 173	CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang CHSS For. Lang Elective Elective Elective
17	ENG Literature or Humanities/Fine Arts	3	REL 231 Religions of the World I <b>OR</b> REL 232 Religions of the World II <b>OR</b> REL 233 Introduction to Islam	RELI 212 RELI 211 RELI 272	CHSS Phil/Rel
18	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics <b>OR</b> GEO 220 World Regional Geography <b>OR</b> PLS 241 International Relations I <b>OR</b> PSY 200 Introduction to Psychology <b>OR</b> SOC 200 Principles of Sociology <b>OR</b> SOC 212 Principles of Anthropology II	ECON 103 GGS 101 GOVT 132 PSYC 100 SOCI 101 ANTH 114	CHSS Soc/Behav
19	HIS #2 or Gen Ed or ITE (This elective not required if world lang. is ARA)	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts	IT 103	Info Tech
20	CST Course #3	3	CST 201 Introduction to Communication Theory and Research	COMM 200	DEGREE
<b>A. A. LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE TOTAL</b>		<b>60-62</b>			

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**Students must select a concentration:**

Interpersonal and Organizational Communication, Journalism, Media Production and Criticism, Political Communication, Public Relations

MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT SEQUENCE			Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Concentration Requirement	3	COMM Concentration Inquiry Course - 200 level	DEGREE	
22	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper level)	3	ENGL 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm	
23	Core Course	3	COMM 300 Foundations of Public Communication	DEGREE	
24	Concentration Requirement	3	COMM Concentration Coursework**	DEGREE	

25	General Elective or Minor Course	3	General Electives or Minor (See: Advisor as some requirements may double count)	DEGREE
26	Plan Specific #12	3	General Electives or Minor (See: Advisor as some requirements may double count)	DEGREE
27	Concentration Requirement	3	COMM Concentration Coursework***	DEGREE
28	Concentration Requirement	3	COMM Concentration Coursework***	DEGREE
29	General Elective or Minor Course	3	General Electives or Minor (See: Advisor as some requirements may double count)	DEGREE
30	General Elective or Minor Course	3	General Electives or Minor (See: Advisor as some requirements may double count)	DEGREE
31	Core Course	3	COMM 400 Research Methods in Communication	DEGREE
32	Gen Ed: Synthesis	3	<b>Approved Synthesis Course Recommended:</b> COMM 326 Rhetoric of Social Movements and Political Controversy <b>OR</b> COMM 362 Argument and Public Policy <b>OR</b> COMM 454 Free Speech and Ethics**	Synthesis
33	Concentration Requirement	3	COMM Concentration Coursework***	DEGREE
34	Concentration Requirement	3	COMM Concentration Coursework***	DEGREE
35	General Elective or Minor Course	3	General Electives or Minor (See: Advisor as some requirements may double count)	DEGREE
36	COMM Electives	3	COMM Electives (Excludes COMM 100 and 101)***	DEGREE
37	COMM Electives	3	COMM Electives (Excludes COMM 100 and 101)***	DEGREE
38	Concentration Requirement	3	COMM Concentration Coursework***	DEGREE
39	General Elective or Minor Course	3	General Electives or Minor (See: Advisor as some requirements may double count)	DEGREE
40	General Elective or Minor Course	1-3	General Electives or Minor (See: Advisor as some requirements may double count)	DEGREE
<b>B.A. COMMUNICATION DEGREE TOTAL</b>		<b>120</b>		

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.

For approved COMM Concentration Coursework, COMM Electives, and COMM Inquiry courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/communication/communication-ba/#requirementstext>

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\*College of Humanities and Social Sciences requires 2 different social science disciplines.

\*\*Can double count towards concentration or COMM elective requirement.

\*\*\*12 credits of course work must be upper-level in the concentration or COMM electives.

**General Degree Notes:**

No more than ten credit hours from the following may be included: COMM 140, 141, 142, 143, 145, 148, 157, 340, 341, 342, 343, 345, 346, 348, 398, 450, 451, 452, 491, 498, 499.

No more than six credits of COMM 450 or three credits of COMM 452 may be applied to the major.

Must have a C or better in all courses to fulfill major requirements.

No more than 3 credits of 100-level RECR courses may apply towards the degree.

**Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation requirements**