

**Recommended Academic Plan for Bachelor of Arts in Communication Arts & Sciences (CAS BA), University Park
Effective Spring 2009**

Semester 1	Credits	Semester 2	Credits
<i>ENGL 015 or 030</i> (GWS) Rhetoric and Composition or Honors Freshman Composition	3	<i>CAS 100</i> (GWS) Effective Speech	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS)	3	Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS)	3
* CAS course of choice	3	Humanities (GH)	3
Foreign Language (level 001)	4	Foreign Language (level 002)	4
Quantification Course (GQ)	3	Quantification Course (GQ)	3
Total Credits:	16	Total Credits:	16
Semester 3	Credits	Semester 4	Credits
**200 level CAS skills course	3	CAS 202 Introduction to Communication Theory	3
CAS 201 Rhetorical Theory	3	CAS 204 Communication Research Methods	3
Humanities (GH)	3	Natural Science (GN)	3
Foreign Language (level 003)	4	Arts (GA)	3
Natural Science (GN)	3	BA Requirement: Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Quantification or Foreign Language	3
Total Credits:	16	Total Credits:	15
Semester 5	Credits	Semester 6	Credits
*300 level CAS course of choice	3	*400 level CAS course of choice	3
*400 level CAS course of choice	3	Elective	3
Natural Science (GN)	3	<i>ENGL 202</i> (GWS)	3
BA Requirement: Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Quantification or Foreign Language	3	Arts (GA)	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Total Credits:	15	Total Credits:	15
Semester 7	Credits	Semester 8	Credits
*400 level CAS course of choice	3	*400 level CAS course of choice	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Other Cultures Course/Elective	3	Health and Physical Activity (GHA) course	1.5
BA Requirement: Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Quantification or Foreign Language	3	Elective	3
Health and Physical Activity (GHA) course	1.5	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	1
Total Credits:	16.5	Total Credits:	14.5

General education courses are interchangeable; students may choose the general education course(s) they wish to take in any given semester based on preference, availability, and academic goals.

Scheduling patterns vary for courses according to the semester they are taught.

- **Bold type** indicates courses requiring a quality grade of C or better.
- GWS, GHA, GQ, GN, GA, GH, and GS are codes used to identify General Education requirements.
- US, IL, and US;IL are codes used to designate courses that satisfy University United States/International Cultures requirements which overlap with General Education requirements.
- W is the code used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

*CAS course of choice: Use link to see course descriptions http://cas.la.psu.edu/undergrad/course_listing.htm

**List of CAS skills courses:

203 INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION
205 THE VOICE AND ITS USE
211 INFORMATIVE SPEAKING
213 PERSUASIVE SPEAKING
214 (W) SPEECH WRITING
215 ARGUMENTATION
216 PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE
250 SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATION
252 BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION
271 INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION
280 STORYTELLING AND SPEAKING
283 COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY I