

Cincinnati State – Ohio University Plan

Bachelor of Science in Communication Online Program Pathway

Study communication in the Scripps College of Communication, recognized as a Center of Excellence by the Ohio Board of Regents. The online Bachelor of Science in Communication is ideally suited for both new college students and continuing professionals in a variety of public, non-profit, and private organizations who have positions that emphasize internal and external communication. The major cross-trains individuals in visual, written, and oral communication, emphasizing both practical application and theory-based communication strategy. Courses are designed with best practices for online pedagogy, emphasizing the same student enrichment philosophy that grounds other majors in the Scripps College of Communication.

Online Convenience. Ohio University Quality.

- Review study materials and submit assignments online.
- Learn from distinguished professors.
- Progress through the degree in consultation with an Ohio University academic advisor.

Admission Requirements

- No additional requirements beyond University admission requirements for freshman or transfer admission.
- Transfer applicants must have a cumulative grade-point average of 2.0 or higher from all institutions previously attended to be considered for admission. If you have completed fewer than 20 semester hours of 30 quarter hours of university or college coursework, you must also submit your high school transcript for evaluation.
- Official transcripts sent directly to Ohio University from all colleges and universities you have attended.

Application Information

[Apply online](#) (\$25 non-refundable application fee due at application)

Submit all college-level transcripts to:

Undergraduate Admissions
Ohio University
Chubb Hall 120
1 Ohio University Drive
Athens, OH 45701

Ohio University Contact Information

Undergraduate Admissions

740.593.4100

E-mail general questions to

transfer@ohio.edu

For more information on the partnership with Cincinnati State, visit www.ohio.edu/cincinnatiatstate



Degree Requirements

To qualify for the Bachelor of Science in Communication major, a student must have completed all Ohio University graduation requirements: general education, College, major, and residency. Students must earn a minimum of 30 semester hours of Ohio University credit, complete a minimum of 50% of the major course requirements at Ohio University, and complete a minimum of 120 total semester hours for graduation (elective hours may be required).

Ohio University BRICKS General Education Requirements

BRICKS is Ohio University's general education program, and requirements must be fulfilled by all baccalaureate degree students. BRICKS includes a minimum of 38 credit hours across five categories: Foundations, Pillars, Arches, Bridges, and Capstone. Courses used to satisfy BRICKS requirements may be completed through Cincinnati State or OHIO Online. The table below lists Cincinnati State courses that have direct course equivalencies at Ohio University which meet BRICKS requirements. General education courses that may also satisfy program requirements are inside brackets. HIST courses marked with an asterisk (*) will automatically equate to fill Pillars Humanities Texts and Contexts, but may alternately equate to fill Pillars Social and Behavioral Sciences. Work with your academic advisor to make adjustments.

OHIO BRICKS Requirement	Cincinnati State Course Numbers
FOUNDATIONS - Take one course from each listed category	
Written Communication	ENG 101, ENG 101A
Advanced Writing	ENG 102, ENG 103, ENG 104, ENG 105
Quantitative Reasoning	MAT 105, MAT 105A, MAT 131, MAT 131A, MAT 132, MAT 151, MAT 152, MAT 153, MAT 215, MAT 252
Intercultural Explorations	GEO 105, GEO 110, HST 102*, HST 162*
PILLARS - Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)	
Humanities: Texts and Contexts	HST 101*, HST 102*, HST 161*, HST 162*; LIT 200, LIT 251, LIT 252, LIT 261, LIT 262; PHI 105, PHI 110
Humanities: Arts	ART 111, ART 112
Natural Sciences	BIO 132, BIO 151, BIO 220; CHE 110, CHE 111, CHE 121 and CHE 131; PHY 151, PHY 201
Social or Behavioral Sciences	ECO 105, ECO 110; GEO 115; HST 101*, HST 102*, HST 111, HST 112, HST 161*, HST 162*; POL 101; PSY 110; SOC 105
ARCHES - Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)	
Constructed World	MAT 251
Natural World	BIO 131, BIO 152; CHE 115, CHE 122 and CHE 132; PHY 152, PHY 202; PSC 105
Connected World	CRJ 105; ECE 145; GEO 105, GEO 110; PSY 200, PSY 220; SOC 110, SOC 115
BRIDGES - Take one course from each listed category (minimum 1 credit each)	
Speaking and Listening	[COMM 110]
Ethics and Reasoning	[COMM 110]
Diversity and Practice	[COMM 110]; PSY 215; SOC 200
Learning and Doing	SWK 200
CAPSTONE - Minimum 2 credits (no current equivalencies)	

BRICKS and the Ohio Transfer 36

Students who complete the minimum requirements of the Ohio Transfer 36 (OT36, formerly the Ohio Transfer Module) at another college or university prior to enrollment in a degree-seeking program at Ohio University will receive transfer credit equivalent to fulfilling Ohio University's BRICKS general education requirements in Foundations (excluding the Advanced Writing component, which requires completion of TME 002 Second Writing), Pillars, and Arches. If you have not completed the OT36, your courses will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis and will apply toward general education requirements as appropriate.



Communication Major Courses

Choose no more than 3 total courses at Cincinnati State

Foundational Knowledge and Skills

Complete all of the following courses through Cincinnati State or OHIO Online.

Complete JOUR 1330 and VICO 1000 with a grade of 'C' (2.0) or better.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Cincinnati State Course Number
Using Communication Tools	COMM 1000	
Fundamentals of Public Speaking	[COMS 1030]	[COMM 110]
Precision Language for Journalists	JOUR 1330	
Introduction to Studies in Visual Communication	VICO 1000	

Practice

Complete all of the following courses through Cincinnati State or OHIO Online

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Cincinnati State Course Number
Techniques of Group Discussion	COMS 2050	COMM 205
Mass Media Writing Principles	JOUR 2150	
Introduction to Basic Publication/Web Design	VICO 2514 or VICO 2561	

Strategy

Complete five courses (three courses must be from the 3000- or 4000-level) for a minimum of fifteen semester hours.

Complete courses through Cincinnati State or OHIO Online.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Cincinnati State Course Number
Special Topics in Communication	COMM 3900	
Communication in Interpersonal Relationships	COMS 2060	COMM 105
Organization Communication for Nonmajors	COMS 2500	
Communication Technology and Organizing	COMS 3250	
Cross-Cultural Communication	COMS 4100	
Consumer Issues in Telecommunication	ITS 1010	
Understanding Internet Technology	ITS 2010	
Privacy in the Internet Age	ITS 4310	
Introduction to Advertising and Public Relations	JOUR 2500	
International Mass Media	[JOUR 4660]	
Seminar in Online Journalism	JOUR 4923	
Media and the Creative Process	MDIA 1020	
Audience Research	MDIA 3105	



Synthesis

Complete all of the following courses through Cincinnati State or OHIO Online

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Cincinnati State Course Number
Applied Communication Capstone (completes OHIO BRICKS Capstone Requirement)	[COMM 4000]	
Qualitative Inquiry in Communication	COMS 3420	
Ethics, Mass Media, and Society	[JOUR 3200]	

Additional Course Requirements

Complete the following courses to reach a total of 120 credit hours through Cincinnati State or OHIO Online

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Cincinnati State Course Number
Electives	Work with an Academic Advisor for appropriate course selection	

Disclaimer:

The information on this guide is based on the catalog requirements posted in the 2023-2024 Ohio University catalog and related Cincinnati State equivalents as of the Last Updated date. All information is subject to change without notice. Students must complete a minimum of 120 total semester hours and are responsible for tracking their degree completion on their DARS and are encouraged to work with an Ohio University academic advisor in their degree planning. Courses are subject to availability at each institution. It is suggested that students meet with an advisor to discuss course selection based on offered options.

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