# Marion Technical College – Ohio University Plan

## 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 Communication major 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 undergraduate admissions requirements for freshman or transfer admission.
• Transfer applicants must a 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 of 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 ohio.edu/admissions/apply
Students can complete this program through OHIO Online

**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 visit www.ohio.edu/marion**

# Degree Requirements

To qualify for the Bachelor of Science, 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 Marion Technical College or OHIO Online. The table below lists Marion Technical College 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 HIST 1320 and/or HIST 1330, but may instead equate to HIST 1210 and/or HIST 1220. Work with your academic advisor to make adjustments as necessary.

| OHIO BRICKS Requirement | Marion Technical College Course Numbers |
|---|---|
| FOUNDATIONS | Take one course from each listed category |
| Written Communication | ENG 1000, ENG 1001 |
| Advanced Writing | BUS 1200; ENG 1100 |
| Quantitative Reasoning | MTH 1230, MTH 1231, MTH 1240, MTH 1241, MTH 1245, MTH 1246, MTH 1250, MTH 2050 |
| Intercultural Explorations | HST 1800*; POL 1010 |
| PILLARS | Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each) |
| Humanities: Texts and Contexts | ENG 2000, ENG 2100, ENG 2200; HST 1700*, HST 1800*; PHI 1030 |
| Humanities: Arts | HUM 1000 |
| Natural Sciences | BIO 1200; BIO 1240; CHM 1210; GEO 1000; PHY 1200 and PHY 1210; SCI 1200, SCI 1300 |
| Social or Behavioral Sciences | ECN 2000, ECN 2100; HST 1500, HST 1600, HST 1800*; POL 1000; PSY 1100; SOC 1200 |
| ARCHES | Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each) |
| Constructed World | MTH 1340, MTH 2000 |
| Natural World | BIO 1250; CHM 1260, CHM 1260; PHY 1250 and PHY 1260; SCI 1250 |
| Connected World | CRJ 1000; POL 1010; PSY 1200, PSY 1500, PSY 2100, PSY 2150, PSY 2200, PSY 2220, PSY 2420, PSY 2430; SOC 1400, SOC 2200; SWA 1070 |
| BRIDGES | Take one course from each listed category (minimum 1 credit each) |
| Speaking and Listening | [COM 1400]; ENG 1400 |
| Ethics and Reasoning | [COM 1400]; ENG 1400 |
| Diversity and Practice | [COM 1400]; ENG 1400; HST 2002Z; PSY 2175; SOC 2020; SWA 2020 |
| Learning and Doing | PTA 2320; SWA 1010 |
| CAPSTONE | Minimum 2 credits (no current equivalencies) |

**BRICKS and the Ohio Transfer 36 or Prior Degree Completion**

Students who complete the minimum requirements of the Ohio Transfer 36 (OT36, formerly the Ohio Transfer Module), an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), or bachelor's degree from an accredited institution* 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 an equivalent course), Pillars, and Arches. Students who have not completed the OT36 or an approved degree will have their courses evaluated individually to determine appropriate general education requirement fulfillment. *Institutions must be accredited by regional accrediting commissions recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) to qualify.

## Communication Major Courses
Choose no more than 3 total courses at Marion Technical College

**Foundational Knowledge and Skills**
Complete all of the following courses through Marion Technical College or OHIO Online.
Complete JOUR 1330 and VICO 1000 with a grade of 'C' (2.0) or better.

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Marion Technical College Course Number |
|---|---|---|
| Using Communication Tools | COMM 1000 | |
| Fundamentals of Public Speaking | [COMS 1030] | [COM 1400] |
| Precision Language for Journalists | JOUR 1330 | |
| Media Storytelling and the Creative Process or Introduction to Studies in Visual Communication | MDIA 1020 or VICO 1000 | OIS 1600 |

**Practice**
Complete all of the following courses through Marion Technical College or OHIO Online

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Marion Technical College Course Number |
|---|---|---|
| Techniques of Group Discussion | COMS 2050 | |
| Mass Media Writing Principles | JOUR 2150 | |
| Introduction to Basic Publication/Web Design | VICO 2514 or VICO 2561 | OIS 1500 |

**Strategy**
Complete five courses (three courses must be from the 3000- or 4000-level) for a minimum of fifteen semester hours.  Complete courses through Marion Technical College or OHIO Online.

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Marion Technical College Course Number |
|---|---|---|
| Special Topics in Communication | COMM 3900 | |
| Communication in Interpersonal Relationships | COMS 2060 | COM 1500 |
| Organization Communication for Nonmajors | COMS 2500 | |
| Communication and New Technology | COMS 3200 | |
| 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 | |
| Podcasting Survey | JOUR 2230 | |
| Introduction to Advertising and Public Relations | JOUR 2500 | MKT 2150 |
| Communication Law | JOUR 3100 | |
| Gender, Race, and Class in Journalism and Mass Media | JOUR 4130 | |
| Podcasting and Audio Journalism | JOUR 4200 | |
| International Mass Media | [JOUR 4660] | |
| Seminar in Online Journalism | JOUR 4923 | |
| Media and the Creative Process (if not used in Foundations II area) | MDIA 1020 | |

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| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Marion Technical College Course Number |
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| Social Media Introduction | MDIA 2113 | |
| Audience Research | MDIA 3105 | |
| Advanced Social Media | MDIA 4120 | |
| Introduction to Studies in Visual Communication (if not used in Foundations II area) | VICO 1000 | |

**Synthesis**

Complete all of the following courses through Marion Technical College or OHIO Online

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Marion Technical College 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 Marion Technical College or OHIO Online

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Marion Technical College 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 2025-2026 Ohio University catalog and related Marion Technical College 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, 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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