

St. Mary's University

BA in Communication Studies with Teacher Certification Degree Plan– 120 Hours

The maximum credit transferable from a junior college, or any combination of junior colleges, is 66 semester hours.

St. Mary's Core (42 hours)

Requirements	Texas Common Course Equivalency	Hours Required
— First Year Experience	Not required for transfer students accepted with 30 or more credit hours however a student may need to take three (3) additional hours of elective credits in order to meet the required hours for this degree.	3
— Freshmen Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
— Literature	ENGL 1302 or any ENGL 23XX Literature course	3
— History	Any HIST 13XX or 23xx course	3
— Social Science	Select one one: BUSI 1301, CRIJ 1301, ECON 2301, ECON 2302, GOVT 2305, GOVT 2306, PSYC 1301, PSYC 2306, PSYC 2316, PSYC 2314, SOCI 1301, SOCI 1306, SOCI 2319, SPCH 1311, SPCH 1315, SPCH 1321, SPCH 2335	3
— Mathematics	MATH 1332 or higher	3
— Natural or Physical Sciences	Select one: BIOL 1308, BIOL 1309, CHEM 1411, CHEM 1412, GEOL 1301, GEOL 1303, GEOL 1401, GEOL 1403, GEOG 1301, GEOL 1304, GEOL 1305, GEOL 1404, GEOL 1405, PHYS 1305, PHYS 1401, PHYS 1402.	3
— Fine Arts	Any 3-credit hour Fine Arts course from the following: ARTS, MUSI, DRAM	3
— Foreign Language	Two courses (1411 and 1412) in a language not previously studied or two courses (2311 and 2312) in a language previously studied	6
— Philosophy – Self	PHIL 1301	3
— Philosophy – Ethics	PHIL 2306	3
— Theology	Theology courses from other universities may be transferable with the approval of the Theology Department	3
— Intermediate Theology	Theology courses from other universities may be transferable with the approval of the Theology Department	3

	Texas Common Course Equivalency	Hours Required
Communications Major Courses (36 CHRs)		
— CM 1341 – Introduction to Human Communication	SPCH 1311 or SPCH 1318	3
— CM 2321 – Public Speaking	SPCH 1315	3
— CM 2334 – Argumentation and Debate	SPCH 2335	3
— CM 3320 – Interpersonal Communication	No equivalent	3
— CM 3341 – Group Communication	No equivalent	3
— CM 3350 – Foundations of Comm Studies	No equivalent	3
— CM 3352 – Survey of Communication Theory	No equivalent	3

CM 3353 – Survey of Mass Communication	No equivalent	3
CM 4341 – Organizational Communication	No equivalent	3
CM 4369 – Media Law and Ethics	No equivalent	3
CM 3360 – Media Production	No equivalent	3
CM 4394 – Communication Research Methods	No equivalent	3
Teacher Certification (30CHRs)		
ED 3302 – The American Secondary School	No equivalent	3
ED 3321 – Instructional Planning, Assessment and Evaluation	No equivalent	3
ED 2330 – Teaching Diverse Populations	EDUC 2301	3
ED 3355 – Educational Technology	No equivalent	3
ED 3361 – Adolescent Development in the School Setting	No equivalent	3
ED 4388 – Professional Development Seminar - Secondary	No equivalent	3
ED 4630 – Teacher Residency I	No equivalent	3
ED 4635 – Teacher Residency II	No equivalent	3
Electives (12 CHRs)		12

An elective can be any course taken from any discipline. Students can use these hours to pursue certificates, minors, or second majors.

Total Semester Hours - 120

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