

Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number _____ or Degree Plan(s) Communication Minor

State the requested change and reason. A memo may be attached if more space is necessary.

Seeking to replace COMM 211 with the new COMM 120 Public Speaking course, as well as add appropriate asterisks to the course menu to designate courses that have recently been approved to meet university GenEd requirements.

Indicate the requested change.

	Change to a Course	Dept./School ¹	College	Dean	TEC	UGEC	AUAC/Grad	Provost	President
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I	–	I	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	A	A	I	–	I	A	I
5.	Number of hours (lecture, lab, contact)	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I	–	I	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	I
9.	Course fee(s)	A	–	A	–	–	–	A	I
10.	From U to G <i>or</i> G to U	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
11.	Cross-list course	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
12.	Department of record	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
13.	Close a course	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I
14.	New course (includes combining or splitting courses)	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	I

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	Change to the University Requirements (All Campuses)	Dept./School¹	College	Dean	TEC	UGEC	AUAC/Grad	Provost	Faculty	President	Trustees
1.	University Requirements — Change course outcomes of an included course ²	A	A	A	–	A	–	A	–	A	–
2.	University Requirements — Add or drop a required course from the University Requirements ²	A	A	A	–	A	–	A	A	A	–
3.	University Requirements — Add or drop a course from a menu within the University Requirements ²	A	–	–	–	A	–	A	–	A	–
4.	University Requirements — Change hours within a menu in the University Requirements ²	A	A	A	–	A	–	A	A	A	–
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)										
1.	General Requirements for Bachelor's Degrees and Associate's Degrees	–	–	–	–	–	A	A	A	A	–
2.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	–	–	–	–	–	A	A	A	A	–
3.	Requirements for graduating with honors	–	–	–	–	–	A	A	A	A	–
	Change to a Degree Plan Proposed by Faculty or College										
5.	Educational Program — Revise ³	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
6.	Educational Program — Adopt/change admission requirements	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
7.	Educational Program — Add ³	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
8.	Educational Program — Discontinue	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
9.	GPA — Revise program-required GPAs	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
10.	Minor — Revise	A	A	A	I	–	I	I	–	I	–
11.	Minor — Add	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
12.	Minor — Discontinue	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
13.	Degree — Add	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
14.	Degree — Discontinue	A	A	A	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan Proposed By Provost										
15.	Educational Program — Discontinue	R	–	R	A	–	A	A	A	A	I
16.	Minor — Discontinue	R	–	R	A	–	A	A	–	A	–
17.	Degree — Discontinue	R	–	R	A	–	A	A	A	A	I

¹ When an academic unit does not have a council, the UGEC and/or UUAC will serve as its academic council, depending on the nature of the issue.

² Courses that satisfy ACU's University Requirements will normally have lower-level numbering, be free of prerequisites and co-requisites, appeal to more than one or two majors, and "not narrowly focus on those skills, techniques, and procedures specific to a particular occupation or profession" (SACS 2.7.3). Departments may request exceptions to the first three criteria.

³ For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible.

Department/School Chair(s)	
 Signature	Apr 27, 2023 Approval date
_____ Signature	_____ Approval date

College Academic Council(s)	
 Signature	04/27/2023 Approval date
_____ Signature	_____ Approval date

Dean(s)	
 Greg Straughn (Apr 27, 2023 11:47 CDT) Signature	Apr 27, 2023 Approval date
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Teacher Education Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

University General Education Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

Abilene Undergraduate Academic Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

Graduate Council	
_____ Chair's signature	_____ Approval date

Provost	
_____ Signature	_____ Approval date

Faculty	
_____ Chair of Faculty Senate	_____ Approval date

President	
_____ Signature	_____ Approval date

Communication Minor (COMS)

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Minor: Communication (COMS)

Choose 3-12 hours from:

- [COMM 101 - Introduction to Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- ~~[COMM 211 - Speech and Rhetoric](#)~~ [COMM 120 - Introduction to Public Speaking](#)
Credit Hours: 3 *
- [COMM 231 - Small Group Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- [COMM 236 - General Communication Theory](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 241 - Interpersonal Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- [COMM 291 - Survey Research Methods](#) Credit Hours: 3

Choose 6-15 hours from:

- [COMM 310 - Civil Discourse](#) Credit Hours: 3* [\(asterisk added\)](#)
- [COMM 322 - Discussion, Dissent and Debate](#) Credit Hours: 3* [\(asterisk added\)](#)
- [COMM 343 - Business and Professional Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 345 - Intercultural Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- [COMM 376 - Family Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 408 - Crisis Management in Organizations](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 412 - Risk Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 415 - Political Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3* [\(asterisk added\)](#)
- [COMM 421 - Leadership and Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 430 - Conflict Management](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 436 - Nonverbal Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 450 - Gender Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3* [\(asterisk added\)](#)
- [COMM 460 - Health Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 461 - Nonprofit Event Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 462 - Executive Coaching](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 475 - Persuasion](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 483 - Professional Presentations](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 485 - Organizational Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 486 - Training and Development](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 491 - Rhetorical Theory](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 492 - Rhetoric of Pop Culture](#) Credit Hours: 3

- *Hours may also fulfill university requirements.

Total: 18 Credit Hours