BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNICATION: JOURNALISM OF TECHNOLOGY AND BUSINESS

Students earning the communication degree specialize in one of four areas: general communication, journalism of science (JS), journalism of technology and business (JTB), or professional and technical communication (PTC). All COM majors take coursework in editing, persuasion, communication law and ethics, and science and technology in society. Journalism specialists add courses in journalism, mass media, and intercultural communication, and JTB specialists also take courses in economics, business, information technology, writing about technology, and history of technology.

Required Courses

Code	Title		Credit Hours
Communication Requirements			**(9)**
COM 371	Persuasion		3
COM 377	Communication Law and Ethics		3
COM 425	Editing		3
Portfolio			
Journalism Requirements			**(12)**
COM 372	Mass Media and Society		3
COM 421	Technical Communication		3
COM 435	Intercultural Communication		3
COM 440	Introduction to Journalism		3
Technology and Business Requirement			**(24)**
BUS 210	Introduction to Accounting		3
BUS 301	Organizational Behavior		3
or BUS 371	Marketing Fundamentals		
ECON 211	Introduction to Economics		3
ITM 301	Introduction to Contemporary Operating Systems and Hardware I		3
ITM 311	Introduction to Software Development		3
ITMD 361	Fundamentals of Web Development		3
ITMD 421			3
ITMO 440			3
Mathematics and Computer Science Requirement			**(7)**
See Illinois Tech Core Curriculum, section D			7
Natural Science and Engineering Requirements			**(11)**
See Illinois Tech Core Curriculum, section D			11
Science and Technology in Society (STS) Elective			**(6)**
Select one of the following:			6
HIST 375	History of Computing	3	
HIST 382	Technology in History: 1500-1850	3	
HIST 383	Technology in History: 1850 to Present	3	
Humanities and Social Sciences Requirements			**(21)**
See Illinois Tech Core Curriculum, sections B and C			21
Introduction to the Profession			**(3)**
Select three credit hours			3
Interprofessional Projects (IPRO)			**(6)**
See Illinois Tech Core Curriculum, section E			6
Minor Electives			**(15)**
Recommended minors include: Business, Entrepreneurship, Computational Structures, Computer Architecture, Computer Networking, Internet Application Development, or Information Technology and Management.			15
Free Electives			**(12)**

Select 12 credit hours	12
Total Credit Hours	**126**

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				Year 1
Semester 1		**Credit Hours**	**Semester 2**	**Credit Hours**
Introduction to the Profession		3	CS 105 or 110	2
MATH 130		3	COM 372	3
Natural Science or Engineering Elective		4	Natural Science or Engineering Elective	4
Humanities 200-level Course		3	Humanities Elective (300+)	3
Social Sciences Elective		3	Free Elective	3
		16		**15**
				Year 2
Semester 1		**Credit Hours**	**Semester 2**	**Credit Hours**
COM 377		3	COM 371	3
COM 421		3	ECON 211	3
COM 435		3	STS Elective[1]	3
ITM 301		3	Minor Elective	3
Natural Science or Engineering Elective		3	Humanities Elective (300+)	3
Social Sciences Elective (300+)		3		
		18		**15**
				Year 3
Semester 1		**Credit Hours**	**Semester 2**	**Credit Hours**
BUS 210		3	COM 440	3
Minor Elective		3	MATH 425	3
IPRO Elective I		3	ITM 311	3
Social Sciences Elective (300+)		3	Minor Elective	3
Humanities or Social Sciences Elective		3	Free Elective	3
Free Elective		3		
		18		**15**
				Year 4
Semester 1		**Credit Hours**	**Semester 2**	**Credit Hours**
ITMD 421		3	COM 425	3
BUS 301 or 371		3	ITMD 361	3
IPRO Elective II		3	ITMO 440	3
STS Elective[1]		3	Minor Elective	3
Minor Elective		3	Free Elective	3
		15		**15**

Total Credit Hours: 127

[1]   Select from: HIST 375, HIST 382, or HIST 383.