

# HUMAN COMMUNICATION SCIENCES MAJOR

Students must also complete the Undergraduate Registration Requirement (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/undergraduate-registration-requirement/>) and the degree requirements of their home school.

There is one set of requirements for a major in human communication sciences. However, well-designed course plans are recommended for each area of concentration. Students should consult their advisor for details.

## Major Requirements (13 units)

1 COMM\_ST course and 11 CSD courses, all of which must be passed with a grade of C (not C-) or higher, and 2 0.5-credit CMN seminars.

### SoC Courses (2 units)

Course	Title
CMN 101-0	SoC First Year Seminar: Interdisciplinary Topics in Communication Arts & Sciences
CMN 398-0	School of Communication Senior Seminar
COMM_ST 102-0	Public Speaking

### CSD Courses (11 units)

Course	Title
CSD 110-0	Introduction to Hearing and Speech Acoustics
CSD 392-0	Language Development and Usage
CSD 318-0	Introduction to Audiology
CSD 320-0	Introduction to Speech, Language, Learning, and Their Disorders

7 additional CSD courses <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Excluding CSD 108-0 Sound and Communication Health, CSD 202-0 Neurobiology of Communication, and CSD 304-0 Statistics in Communication Sciences and Disorders; no more than two research and/or internship credits may be counted toward the total required

## Additional Requirements (29 units)

### Distribution Requirements (18 units)

18 units of credit outside the department, including:

- 5 in the School of Communication's science, mathematics, and technology distribution area, including:

- **Statistics (1 course)**

Course	Title
CSD 304-0	Statistics in Communication Sciences and Disorders
or PSYCH 201-0	Statistical Methods in Psychology
or STAT 232-0	Applied Statistics

- **Neurobiology (1 course)**

Course	Title
CSD 202-0	Neurobiology of Communication
or PSYCH 221-0	Introduction to Neuroscience

or BIOL_SCI 302-0	Fundamentals of Neurobiology
or NEUROSCI 202-0	Cellular and Molecular Neuroscience

- **Mathematics (1 course)**

- **Animal-related Biology (1 course)**

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Excluding:

BIOL_SCI 104-0	Plant-People Interactions
BIOL_SCI 109-0	The Nature of Plants

- **Physics or Chemistry (1 course)**

- Either the biology or the physics/chemistry course must have a lab component
- 3 in the school's individual and social behavior distribution area
- 3 in the school's humanities and fine arts distribution area
- 7 additional units of credit outside the department

## Electives (11 units)

Electives in communication and other areas to complete a minimum of 42 units of credit.

## Writing Proficiency

Requirement for all students.

## Honors in Communication Sciences and Disorders

An honors program is available for Human Communication Sciences majors in their senior year who have maintained an outstanding undergraduate record through their junior year. Upon successful completion of an honors project, they will graduate with department honors in communication sciences and disorders. Also see Honors and Prizes (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/graduation-degrees/graduation-honors/>).