

SPEECH COMMUNICATION MAJORS (Suggested Associate in Arts Degree Curriculum)

This worksheet is designed to help students select courses which are likely to apply to a major in **SPEECH COMMUNICATION**. These suggested courses satisfy requirements in the Associate in Arts degree program at Prairie State College and provide the basis for transferring to a four-year institution. This program meets the guidelines of the **IAI (Illinois Articulation Initiative) General Education Core**. Students should obtain a copy of the **Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet** and should visit the IAI website at www.iTransfer.org for more information.

The Speech Communication program prepares students to understand communication between and among people. Students learn to enhance their own communication proficiency and to develop skills in persuasive strategies, small group relations, and audience analysis. Students planning to pursue a baccalaureate degree should be aware that **transfer admission to speech communication programs is sometimes competitive and some schools require an audition** for admission to the program.

SUGGESTED CURRICULUM

Each senior institution has its own transfer policies. Therefore, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this information in regard to every individual school. Consult the school of your choice and/or the Prairie State College Counseling & Advising Center to discuss the transferability of courses.

TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (37-38 credits)

Area A: Communications (9 credits)

ENG 101 (3)	[C1 900]*	Composition I (Prereq. ENG 099, C or better, or qualifying score on English Placement Test)
ENG 102 (3)	[C1 901R]*	Composition II (Prereq. ENG 101, C or better)
COMM 101(3)	[C2 900]	Principles of Communication (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

*Must have a C or better in ENG 101 & 102 to receive credit for the degree.

Area B: Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credits)

Select three courses with at least one course selected from the humanities area and one course from the fine arts area. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area B, for a listing of approved course choices.

Humanities Course (3)	Select any Area B Humanities Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Fine Arts Course (3)	Select any Area B Fine Arts Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Humanities/Fine Arts Course (3)	Select any Area B Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

Area C: Mathematics (3 credits)

MATH 112 (3)	[M1 904]	General Education Mathematics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better OR MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better OR qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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MATH 115 (3)	[M1 902]	General Education Statistics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better OR MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better OR qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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Area D: Physical and Life Sciences (7-8 credits)

Select one life science course and one physical science course. One course must have a lab component. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area D, for a listing of approved course choices.

Life Science Course (3-4)	Select any Area D Life Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Physical Science Course (3-4)	Select any Area D Physical Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

Area E: Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)

Select three courses in at least two different disciplines. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area E, for a listing of approved course choices.

Social/Behavioral Sci Course (3)	Select any Area E Social/Behav Sci Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
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SPEECH COMMUNICATION MAJOR COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS (24-25 credits)

(Check with the school to which you plan to transfer to verify transferability of these courses for this major)

Select 24-25 credits from the “suggested” course recommendations listed below:

Suggested Speech Communication Courses often include:

- COMM 102 (3) Persuasive Public Speaking (Prereq. COMM 101)
- COMM 103 (3) Group Discussion (Placement in ENG 099 or above)
- COMM 108 (3) Interpersonal Communication

Other suggested courses often include:

- COMM 111 (3) Introduction to Mass Communication
- COMM 196 (1) Applied Forensics I
- COMM 197 (1) Applied Forensics II (Prereq. COMM 196)
- COMM 198 (1) Applied Forensics III (Prereq. COMM 197)
- COMM 199 (1) Applied Forensics IV (Prereq. COMM 198)

Other suggested courses which satisfy the PSC AA degree requirements may include electives such as:

- Any additional general education courses selected from Areas B, C, D, or E
- Any entry level majors course in a transferable major area
- Any foreign language courses*
- Up to four credits of physical education courses
- Additional courses recommended as transferable by the school to which you plan to transfer.

**Foreign Language Requirement: Some universities have a foreign language requirement. Generally, four years of a single foreign language in high school, or four semesters in college, will fulfill this requirement. It is recommended that students complete the entire sequence at one institution.*

62 CREDITS REQUIRED FOR AN ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

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FOR TRANSFER INFORMATION:

u.select, formerly known as Course Applicability System (CAS): www.transfer.org/uselect

Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI): www.iTransfer.org

Links to Articulation Tables for Illinois Colleges: <http://www.itransfer.org/IAI/Other/Articulationlinks.taf>

Visit the web sites of colleges and universities to which you plan to transfer.

FOR CAREER INFORMATION:

Occupational Outlook Handbook, U.S. Department of Labor: <http://www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm>