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**Program Modification Form**

**[ ] Undergraduate Curriculum Council**

**[X] Graduate Council**

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| **Modification Type: [ ]Admissions, [X]Curricular Sequence, or [ ]Other** |

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1. **Contact Person** (Name, Email Address, Phone Number)

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1. **Proposed Change** (for undergraduate curricular changes please provide an 8-semester plan (appendix A), if applicable)

In the MA in Communication Studies, change:

“Communication ~~Studies~~ Electives”

To

“Communication Electives

Select 18 hours from COMS or STCM courses.”

1. **Effective Date**

Fall 2021

1. **Justification –** *Please provide details as to why this change is necessary.*

The modification updates the degree requirements to reflect the intention of the department to count all graduate course offerings within the department as communication electives. The current degree plan description of “Communication Studies” electives limits the courses that populate in the degree evaluation. This change updates the degree requirements to match the department name and offerings.

**Bulletin Changes**

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| **Instructions** |
| **Please visit** [**http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot**](http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot) **and select the most recent version of the bulletin. Copy and paste all bulletin pages this proposal affects below. Please include a before (with changed areas highlighted) and after of all affected sections.**  **\*Please note: Courses are often listed in multiple sections of the bulletin. To ensure that all affected sections have been located, please search the bulletin (ctrl+F) for the appropriate courses before submission of this form.** |

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**CURRENT**

**Communication Studies**

**Master of Arts**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
| See Graduate Degree Policies for additional information (p. 38) |  |
| **Program Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| CMAC 6053, Quantitative Research Methods | 3 |
| CMAC 6203, Introduction to Graduate Study | 3 |
| CMAC 6253, Qualitative Research Methods in Communications | 3 |
| COMS 6103, Communication Theory | 3 |
| Communication ~~Studies~~ Electives  *Select 18 hours from COMS or STCM courses.* | 18 |
| **Sub-total** | **30** |
| **Total Required Hours:** | **30** |

**PROPOSED**

**Communication Studies**

**Master of Arts**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
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| **Program Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| CMAC 6053, Quantitative Research Methods | 3 |
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| CMAC 6253, Qualitative Research Methods in Communications | 3 |
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| **Sub-total** | **30** |
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**Appendix A, 8-Semester Plan**

(**Referenced in #2** - **Undergraduate Proposals Only)**

*Instructions: Please identify new courses in italics*.

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| **Arkansas State University-Jonesboro**  **Degree:**  **Major:**  **Year:** | | | | | | | | |
| Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Developmental courses do not count toward total degree hours. **Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. In most cases, general education courses may be interchanged between semesters.** A minimum of 45 hours of upper division credit (3000-4000 level) is required for this degree. | | | | | | | | |
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