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**Program Modification Form**

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

Myleea Hill, Dept. of Communication, mhill@astate.edu, 870 215-8205

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

In MS in Strategic Communications (no emphasis), change:

**~~Select twelve hours from the following:~~**

~~STCM 5113, Integrated Marketing Communication
STCM 5213, Social Media in Strategic Communication
STCM 5463, Interactive Advertising~~

~~STCM 5473, Social Media Measurement
STCM 5603, Crisis Communication~~

~~(~~*~~Students who have taken a 4000-level version of the above classes may substitute an approved Communication Studies Elective class.~~*~~)~~

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**Communication Electives** 12

Select 12 hours from COMS or STCM courses.

Students may also choose up to six hours of approved cognate electives.

(Students who have taken a 4000-level of a course may not take the 5000-level for graduate credit.)

1. **Effective Date**

Fall 2021

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

The modification of required electives updates the degree requirements to reflect a broader breadth of options by the Department of Communication in the AOS curriculum. The five listed courses were the only electives offered when the degree was developed in 2018. Now, multiple tracks are offered. The proposal for a broader generalists degree is a direct result of requests from students to take courses other than those specified from the five courses.

**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**

**Strategic Communication**

**Master of Science**

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| **University Requirements:** |  |
| See Graduate Degree Policies for additional information (p. 38) |  |
| **Program Requirements:** | **Sem. Hrs.** |
| STCM 6033, Media Regulation, Public Interest and the Law **OR**MDIA 6423, Media Entrepreneurship | 3 |
| CMAC 6053, Quantitative Research Methods | 3 |
| STCM 6253, Audience Market Analysis | 3 |
| STCM 6263, Advertising Account Management | 3 |
| STCM 6303, Seminar in Strategic Communications | 3 |
| STCM 6533, Strategic Communication Management Capstone | 3 |
| **~~Select twelve hours from the following:~~**~~STCM 5113, Integrated Marketing Communication STCM 5213, Social Media in Strategic Communication STCM 5463, Interactive Advertising~~~~STCM 5473, Social Media Measurement STCM 5603, Crisis Communication~~~~(~~*~~Students who have taken a 4000-level version of the above classes may substitute an approved Communication Studies Elective class.~~*~~)~~Communication Electives  *Select 12 hours from COMS or STCM courses.*  *Students may also choose up to six hours of approved cognate electives.*  *(Students who have taken a 4000-level of a course may not take the 5000-level for graduate credit.)*  | **12** |
| **Sub-total** | **30** |
| **Total Required Hours:** | **30** |

**PROPOSED**

**Strategic Communication**

**Master of Science**

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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. |
| **Year 1** |  | **Year 1** |
| **Fall Semester** |  | **Spring Semester** |
| **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** |  | **Course No.** | **Course Name** | **Hrs** | **Gen Ed** |
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| **Year 2** |  | **Year 2** |
| **Fall Semester** |  | **Spring Semester** |
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| **Fall Semester** |  | **Spring Semester** |
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| **Graduation Requirements:** |