B.A. in Communication Studies Progress Planner  
(42 Unit program; Bulletin Rights effective Fall 2016)

**Pre-Major Requirements:** A cumulative grade of B or better in BOTH of these courses:  
(✓ when completed)  
1) COMM 150 or equivalent ______  
2) ENG 214 or equivalent ______  

Communication Studies majors must be upper-division standing in order to enroll in COMM Breadth Area and elective courses. Majors must complete lower-division general education (GE) courses before enrolling in major courses.

Have you completed your lower-division general education (GE) requirements? Circle one: Yes / No  
Are you currently upper-division standing? Circle one: Yes / No

**STEP 1: GWAR Requirement (4 units):**  
The Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) is a University requirement that all SFSU students will need to complete before graduating.  
*All majors in the Communication Studies Department are required to take a GWAR course within the first 8 units of their upper-division study.* Failure to complete GWAR with a “C” or better in the first 8 units will result in a registration block that can only be lifted with advising. GWAR courses can be taken outside of the Communication Studies department; however only courses with a COMM prefix may also count toward the 8 Breadth Areas listed below.

GWAR courses in COMM (✓ Choose ONE course below; offerings vary with each semester):

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**STEP 2: Fulfill Breadth Area & Electives (32 to 40+ units)**  
✓ Choose ONE course in each of the following 8 Breadth Areas. A COMM GWAR course may double count for a breadth area in addition to fulfilling the GWAR requirement (see Step 1).

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<th>Area D: Research Methods (4 units)</th>
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(See backside)
For electives, you may choose any TWO additional courses from the Breadth Areas above OR from the list below OR in combination.

___ 368- Forensics [Speech and Debate] (2 units)
___ 625- The Dark Side Of Interpersonal Communication (1 unit)
___ 685- Instructional Aid [by invitation only] (4 units)
___ 695- Internship Service Learning (4 units)
___ 696- Advanced Performance Workshop (4 units)
___ 699- Independent Study [by contract with instructor] (1 to 4 units)
___ other—please write elective course in the space below:

If you are transferring from a Community College with an AA-T in Communication Studies, you may count up to 8 units of lower division COMM coursework with the approval of an advisor.

**STEP 3: COMM 670—Senior Seminar in Communication Studies (2 units)**
COMM 670 (capstone course) is required of all Communication Studies majors whose degree progress report indicates Fall 2015 and later Bulletin Rights for the COMM major.

___ 670

**STEP 4: Complementary Studies Requirement**
Complementary Studies (CS) is a 12-unit graduation requirement for students declaring a Communication Studies major in Fall 2014 or later.

If you have an AA-T degree in Communication Studies, let an advisor know so that they may review your Complementary Studies to make sure you can complete this requirement within 60 semester units at SFSU!

CS is a “complement” to your Communication Studies major. Courses fulfilling this requirement cannot have the same prefix as your major (i.e., COMM) and cannot double dip with the major!

You can meet the CS requirement in four ways (✔ Choose one):

___ University-approved study abroad
___ A minor or certificate program
___ Courses in a (single) language other than English
___ Non-COMM classes in a single other department/program with the same prefix approved by your advisor. List courses here:_____________________________________

If you and your advisor determine that you will meet the CS requirement with option 4, it is possible to double count classes that you took to fulfill other non-major graduation requirements (e.g., a marketing class that you transferred that is meeting a GE requirement might be counted toward CS with your advisor’s approval, if you are taking other marketing classes at SFSU).

**STEP 5: Upper Division General Education (9 units minimum)**

Upper-division GE requires completion of one 3-unit course in each of the following three domains. Please visit the Advising Resource Center (ARC) located in HUM 112 to find out what courses count towards fulfilling this requirement and for more information regarding GEs.

___ Physical/Life Sciences [UD-B] (3 units)
___ Arts/Humanities [UD-C] (3 units)
___ Social Sciences [UD-D] (3 units)