

## Pathway: **Communication Studies**

### Area of Study: **Social Sciences, Humanities, and Language**



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#### Overview

This two-year pathway is designed for students who wish to complete an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement degree with a concentration in Communication Studies. (Read program QR code to see more)

#### Estimated Length of Completion

Degree: Associate of Arts - Direct Transfer Agreement (LASDTAA)  
6 quarters, Full time

#### Career Opportunities

A Communication Studies pathway can lead to various career opportunities. Examples include:

- Advertising Executive
- Corporate Communications Manager
- Editor
- Education, Teacher, or Corporate Trainer
- Health Communication
- Human Resources Specialist
- Journalism, TV production, Radio
- ...(Read program QR code to see more)



#### Future Education

Once you complete the associates degree, additional education opportunities include:

- A Bachelor's degree in **Communication/Communication Studies, Media & Communications, Journalism**, or a related field at a four-year college or university.
- A Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree at one of the Seattle Colleges.

Seattle Central College has direct transfer agreements with four-year institutions throughout Washington state, including the University of Washington, Washington State University, and Seattle University. Communication Studies graduates from Central have also transferred to out-of-state institutions. Program and admissions requirements vary from college-to-college. Contact a Central advisor to create an educational plan tailored to transfer to the institution of your choice. You can use the College Navigator search engine found at <http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator> to find Communication Studies programs in Washington state or around the country.



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#### **Get Started**

**Step 1:** Apply and register at South Seattle College anytime (the application is always free). Once you become a student, register for classes using the online class schedule and go to the academic calendar for registration dates and tuition deadlines.

**Step 2:** See an advisor to create a personalized educational plan by the end of your second quarter. Your plan will include prerequisites, graduation requirements, and transfer preparation if you plan to transfer to another college or university to earn a bachelor's degree.

#### **Tuition and Fees**

Learn more about the [estimated cost of attendance and general fees to attend college](#).

#### **Financial Aid and Funding Resources**

It's time to apply for Financial Aid for next year by completing either the [FAFSA](#) or the [WASFA](#) 2024-25.

#### **Need help paying for college?**

To apply for financial aid, including grants and scholarships you don't have to pay back, visit [South's Financial Aid Department](#) for details. Part-time and full-time students can qualify for financial aid funds.

#### **Program Contact**

For more information, contact  
Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Division  
206.934.4164  
[AHSS.Central@seattlecolleges.edu](mailto:AHSS.Central@seattlecolleges.edu)

#### **Advising Contact**

Advising hours and services: [seattlecentral.edu/campus-life/student-support-and-services/transfer-and-career-advising/meet-advisor](https://seattlecentral.edu/campus-life/student-support-and-services/transfer-and-career-advising/meet-advisor)

Schedule phone and Zoom appointments: [Starfish](#)

Email and phone: [AdvisorCentral@seattlecolleges.edu](mailto:AdvisorCentral@seattlecolleges.edu)/  
206.934.4068

Location: Broadway Campus BE1102D



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#### Before Quarter One

- Attend New Student Orientation
- Explore careers and majors: workshops, counseling and [Career Exploration Center](#)
- Visit the [Financial Aid Office](#) to explore how to pay for college
- Transfer previous college credits to Central *if applicable*
- Take the [Math](#) and [English placement](#) if needed

#### Sample Schedule

This is an example of a quarterly schedule:

##### Quarter 1

- ENGL&101 English Composition I (5 units)
- CMST&101 Introduction to Communication (5 units)
- Individuals/Cultures/Societies (5 units)
- HDC101 Orientation to College (3 units)

##### Quarter 2

- ENGL&102 Composition II (5 units)
- CMST&220 or Visual, Literary and Perf Arts (5 units)
- Individuals/Cultures/Societies (5 units)

##### Quarter 3

- Quantitative/Symbolic Reasoning (5 units)
- CMST&210 or Visual, Literary and Perf Arts (5 units)
- Individuals/Cultures/Societies (5 units)

##### Quarter 4

- Natural World Lab Science (5 units)
- World Languages 1 or CMST205 or Visual, Literary and Perf Arts (5 units)
- Individuals/Cultures/Societies (5 units)

##### Quarter 5

- Natural World (5 units)
- World Languages 2 or CMST&102 or Visual, Literary and Perf Arts (5 units)
- Individuals/Cultures/Societies (5 units)

##### Quarter 6

- Natural World (5 units)
- World Languages 3 or Visual, Literary and Perf Arts (5 units)
- Individuals/Cultures/Societies (5 units)



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##### Quarter 1

- Schedule an appointment with your assigned advisor in [Starfish](#) to discuss your academic goals and to create a short-term educational plan
- Visit the [Learning Support and Tutoring Center](#) for tutoring
- Explore careers and majors: workshops, counseling and [Career Exploration Center](#)
- Drop by the [Library](#) to get help with research; check out resources; access computers and study space; and create media projects

##### Quarter 2

- Create an educational plan with your assigned advisor
- Research and develop a list of four-year colleges and universities
- Attend transfer workshops and a transfer fair
- Apply for the [Seattle Colleges Foundation Scholarship](#) and other scholarships
- Meet with a Communications faculty during their posted office hours to discuss possible careers and academic opportunities

##### Quarter 3

- Check with transfer institutions' planning resources for core communications courses required for major
- Attend Undergraduate Research Festival at University of Washington (occurs annually in Spring)
- Consider [Student Leadership](#) positions and other on-campus jobs
- Visit potential universities and determine application deadlines
- Meet with [Transfer Center](#) advisor to determine transfer eligibility

##### Quarter 4

- Create long-term educational plan with your assigned advisor
- Research and contact Communications departments at potential universities
- Attend transfer workshops and a transfer fair
- Attend transfer day at prospective university
- Write your personal statement for university applications
- Check in with Communications faculty during their posted office hours regarding possible careers and academic opportunities

##### Quarter 5

- Apply to universities or colleges and scholarships
- Plan to participate in the transfer student events at prospective universities
- Apply for FAFSA or WASFA at transfer university

##### Quarter 6

- [Apply for graduation for the AA-DTA degree](#)
- Check in with university for admissions status
- Order cap and gown for commencement and join [Seattle Central Alumni Association](#)
- Attend graduation fair and [commencement ceremony](#)



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