



COMMUNICATIONS CONCENTRATION • Associate in Arts, Liberal Arts and Sciences

BEDFORD CAMPUS AND LOWELL CAMPUS - DAY AND EVENING

✓	COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS	PREREQUISITES
_____	ENG 101	English Composition I	3	C- in ENG 071 or eligible for ENG 101 and placement above or successful completion of ENG 060
_____	ENG 102	English Composition II: An Introduction to Literature	3	ENG 101
_____	COM 101	Mass Communications	3	ENG 101
_____	MUS 101	Music Appreciation or		
_____	COM 122	Radio Programming or	3	
_____	COM 123	Radio Production		
_____	COM 102	Media Ethics & Issues	3	Eligible for ENG 101
_____	COM 150	Introduction to Journalism	3	ENG 071 or placement into ENG 101
_____	COM 201	Journalism II	3	COM 150 and ENG 101
_____	ENG 150	Creative Writing I or	3	ENG 101
_____	COM 124	Broadcast Writing		ENG 101
_____	_____	Film Studies Course or	3	
_____	COM 121	Introduction to TV Production		
_____	HST 130	History of World Civilization Before 1500	3	ENG 060 or higher placement; eligible for ENG 101
_____	HST 131	History of World Civilization After 1500	3	ENG 060 or higher placement; eligible for ENG 101
_____	_____	Mathematics Elective*	3-4	
_____	_____	Mathematics* or Science Elective	3-4	
_____	_____	Mathematics* or Science Elective	3-4	
_____	_____	Laboratory Science Elective	4	
_____	_____	Behavioral Science Elective	3	
_____	_____	Approved Computer Elective	3-4	
_____	_____	2nd Level Production or	3	
_____	_____	Specialized Communications		
_____	_____	Literature Elective	3	
_____	_____	General Education Elective**	3	
			61-65	

**If math, must be MAT 100 or above

Special Requirements for Liberal Arts & Sciences-Communications: *Must be from one of the following: MAT 120, MAT 177, MAT 180, MAT 185, MAT 189, MAT 190, MAT 250, MAT 270, MAT 271, MAT 290, MAT 291. Additional coursework may be required based on college placement testing. MAT 060, MAT 065, MAT 070, MAT 075, MAT 077 and MAT 080 will not satisfy any requirement in this program. Students are urged to meet with their academic advisor for proper course sequencing.

Program Description:

Students in the Communications Concentration, Liberal Arts and Sciences Associate in Arts degree program pursue interests in the print and visual media while exploring other academic disciplines through the general education requirements of a liberal arts education. Students who complete a minimum of eight science credits as part of their elective options will satisfy the Commonwealth Transfer Compact, which guarantees credit transfer to Massachusetts state colleges and the University of Massachusetts.

Career and Transfer Outlook:

Most students in the Communications Concentration continue their studies toward a bachelor's degree. Students should check the requirements of the transfer institution and meet with career and academic/transfer counselors at MCC for specific program planning. Students may pursue careers in such fields as journalism, film and radio production, public relations and advertising.

Helpful Hints:

Students should begin their Middlesex experience by taking the foundation-level courses (English and mathematics) prior to, or along with, their communications courses. Internships in television, radio and the print media are available through independent study contracts or through work experience co-ops.

Program Outcomes:

Graduates of the Communications Concentration program are prepared to:

- Write a news story and a feature story of some consequence;
- Edit and layout the pages of a newspaper;
- Produce a radio program practicing the vocabulary used in the field;
- Produce videos;
- Write news releases, documentaries, public service announcements, promotions, commercials and dramatic scripts;
- Deliver a formal speech and interact in informal discussions.