

Accelerated B.A. Communication, Rhetoric, Media, and Social Change

Accelerated BA to MA Program

Students accepted into an accelerated undergraduate program may take departmentally approved graduate coursework as part of their undergraduate curriculum. These credits will count towards both their bachelor's and master's degrees and can fulfill major requirements, upper-division requirements, and/or free electives. For details on accelerated programs at Idaho State University, please see (Degree Requirements (<https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/degree requirements/>)).

Once accepted into an accelerated degree program, it is strongly recommended for students to stay in close communication with their advisor regarding pursuit of acceptance into the Graduate School and the master's degree program at Idaho State University. Acceptance into an accelerated program during the bachelor's degree program is the first step in the admissions process. A separate application to the Graduate School is necessary for all accelerated programs. For more information regarding application and admission to the Graduate School at Idaho State University, please see the Graduate Admissions section of the graduate catalog (<http://coursecat.isu.edu/graduate/graduateadmissions/>).

Communication, Rhetoric, Media, and Social Change Track Accelerated Criteria

This accelerated program gives outstanding bachelor's degree students in Communication, Corporate Communication Emphasis, Advertising Track a "fast-track" option to pursue graduate-level coursework towards the Master in Arts degree during the last two semesters of undergraduate coursework and count up to 9 credits of that coursework towards completion of the bachelor's degree.

For details on application and admission into the Accelerated program, please see (Communication (<https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/artsandletters/communicationmediaandpersuasion/>)).

General Education

The listing below includes program requirements that also fulfill General Education requirements.

Code	Title	Credits
Objective 1		6
Objective 2		3
Objective 3- MATH 1123 Recommended ¹		3
Objective 4		6
Objective 5		7
Objective 6		6
Students must fulfill Objective 7 or Objective 8		3
Objective 7- CMP 2205		
Objective 8- CMP 2203		
Objective 9		3
Total Credits		37

¹ "P" courses are equivalent to the original course.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Rhetoric Core		
CMP 2205	Argumentation (Fulfills Objective 7)	3
CMP 2209	Persuasion	3
CMP 2286	Visual Rhetoric	3
CMP 3383	Activism and Social Change	3
CMP 4483/5583	Rhetoric of Popular Culture	3
CMP 4487/5587	Rhetorical Theory	3
CMP 4488/5588	Rhetorical Criticism	3
Media Affairs Core		
CMP 2203	Media Literacy (Fulfills Objective 8)	3
CMP 2241	Introduction to Public Relations	3
CMP 3382	Political Communication	3
CMP 4404/5504	Gender and Communication	3
CMP 4410/5510	Mass Media History, Law, and Ethics	3
Career Track Electives		9
Complete 9 credits from other course offerings in the CMP curriculum, at least six (6) of which are at the 3000-level or above.		
Students should meet with their major advisor to help plan their Career Track Elective courses.		
Students in the accelerated BA to MA program can use a total of nine credits of 5000/6000-level graduate coursework from the Communication, Media, & Persuasion Department in any of these three areas:		
Upper division Core Courses		
Upper division Career Track Electives		
Upper division Required Track Courses		
Total Credits		45

Degree Totals

Code	Title	Credits
	Program Admission Requirements	0
	General Education	37
	Major Requirements (Required General Education credits removed.)	42
	Upper Division Free Electives	9
	Free Electives	32
Total Credits		120

ISU Degree Requirements (<http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/degree requirements/>)

ISU General Education (<http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/generaleducation/>)

Major Academic Plan (MAP) (<https://www.isu.edu/advising/maps/>)

Master of Arts in Communication (<https://coursecat.isu.edu/graduate/artsandletters/communicationmediaandpersuasion/macommunication/>)