# Ozarks Technical Community College

OTC Associate of Arts in General Studies to MSU Bachelor of Science in Communication Studies

The following is a guide to graduation with completion of OTC's Associate of Arts and MSU's Bachelor of Science in Communication Studies degree. The B.S. in Communication Studies degree may be completed on campus or online. This is a comprehensive major meaning it does not require completion of a minor. Courses are sequenced to provide guidance and to help ensure that prerequisite requirements are met. Catalog Year: 2022-2023. Date Modified: 5.16.22.

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### OTC Year 1 Semester 1

Institutional Requirement

* OTC Course ID/Title: OTC 101 Navigating College
* Credit Hours: 2
* MSU Equivalent: GEP 101
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Written Communications - 6 credit hours

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: ENG 100 Composition 1 with support, ENG 101 Composition
* Credit Hours: 3-5
* MSU Equivalent: ENG 110
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Mathematical Sciences - 3 credit hours

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: MTH 128, MTH 128S, MTH 130, MTH 130S, MTH 131, MTH 138, MTH 140, MTH 141, MTH 210, MTH 214, MTH 215, MTH 230, MTH 240, MTH 241 or any MTH course with a Core 42 approved prerequisite
* Credit Hours: 3-5
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Social/Behavioral Sciences - 9 credit hours - (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: ANT 101, ANT 220, COM 150, CRM 210, ECO 270, ECO 275, GRY 101, HST 105, HST 106, HST 120, HST 130, PLS 101, PLS 201, PSY 110, PSY 130, SOC 101, SOC 215
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Humanities and Fine Arts - 9 credit hours (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: ART 100, ART 101, ART 105, ART 120▲, ASL 101, ASL 102, CHN 101, ENG 180, ENG 240, ENG 241, ENG 260, ENG 265, ENG 270, ENG 271, FRN 101, FRN 102, GRM 101, GRM 102, HUM 101, MUS 101, MUS 105, MUS 106, MUS 110, MUS 235\*▲, PHL 101, PHL 105, REL 100, REL 101, REL 102, SPN 101, SPN 102, THR 101
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Semester 1 Total = 14-18 credit hours

### OTC Year 1 Semester 2

Institutional Elective - 18 hours required for A.A. degree

* OTC Course ID/Title: Any course numbered 100 and above - your choice.
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Written Communications - 6 credit hours

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: ENG 102 Composition 2, ENG 150 Technical Writing
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: ENG 210, ENG 221
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Natural Sciences - 7 credit hours (Must fulfill 2 disciplines including one course with a lab component)

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one BCS 115, BCS 132, BCS 165, BCS 210, BIO 100, BIO 105, BIO 135, BIO 142, BIO 160, CHM 101, CHM 160, PHY 105, PHY 110, PHY 115, PHY 120, PHY 220
* Credit Hours: 3-5
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Institutional Elective - Elective18 hours required for A.A. degree

* OTC Course ID/Title: Any course numbered 100 and above - your choice.
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Social/Behavioral Sciences - 9 credit hours - (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: ANT 101, ANT 220, COM 150, CRM 210, ECO 270, ECO 275, GRY 101, HST 105, HST 106, HST 120, HST 130, PLS 101, PLS 201, PSY 110, PSY 130, SOC 101, SOC 215
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Semester 2 Total = 15-17 credit hours

### OTC Year 2 Semester 3

Institutional Elective - Elective18 hours required for A.A. degree

* OTC Course ID/Title: Any course numbered 100 and above - your choice.
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Natural Sciences - Lab Requirement - 7 credit hours

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: BSC 115, BSC 165, BIO 100, BIO 105, BIO 160, CHM 101, CHM 160❑,   
  PHY 105, PHY 110, PHY 115, PHY 120, PHY 220
* Credit Hours: 4-5
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Institutional Elective - Elective18 hours required for A.A. degree

* OTC Course ID/Title: Any course numbered 100 and above - your choice.
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Humanities and Fine Arts - 9 credit hours (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: ART 100, ART 101, ART 105, ART 120▲, ASL 101, ASL 102, CHN 101, ENG 180, ENG 240, ENG 241, ENG 260, ENG 265, ENG 270, ENG 271, FRN 101, FRN 102, GRM 101, GRM 102, HUM 101, MUS 101, MUS 105, MUS 106, MUS 110, MUS 235\*▲, PHL 101, PHL 105, REL 100, REL 101, REL 102, SPN 101, SPN 102, THR 101
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Oral Communications – 3 credit hours

* OTC Course ID/Title: COM 105 Public Speaking
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: COM 115
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Semester 3 Total = 16-17 credit hours

### OTC Year 2 Semester 4

Humanities and Fine Arts - 9 credit hours (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: ART 100, ART 101, ART 105, ART 120▲, ASL 101, ASL 102, CHN 101, ENG 180, ENG 240, ENG 241, ENG 260, ENG 265, ENG 270, ENG 271, FRN 101, FRN 102, GRM 101, GRM 102, HUM 101, MUS 101, MUS 105, MUS 106, MUS 110, MUS 235\*▲, PHL 101, PHL 105, REL 100, REL 101, REL 102, SPN 101, SPN 102, THR 101
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Social/Behavioral Sciences - 9 credit hours - (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: PLS 101, HST 120, HST 130
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Core Elective – 5 hours required for Core 42

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose one: COM 200 Interpersonal Communication Theory and Skills
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: COM 205
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: Yes

Core Elective – 5 hours required for Core 42

* OTC Course ID/Title: Choose MOTR coded course of your choice with the assistance of an advisor.
* Credit Hours: 2
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: Yes
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Institutional Elective18 hours required for A.A. degree

* OTC Course ID/Title: Any course numbered 100 and above - your choice.
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Institutional Elective18 hours required for A.A. degree

* OTC Course ID/Title: Any course numbered 100 and above - your choice.
* Credit Hours: 3
* MSU Equivalent: Varies
* Meets Core 42: No
* MSU Major Requirement: No

Semester 4 Total = 17  
Total Hours at OTC = 62-69  
Total Hours Applied Toward MSU Major Requirements: 6

\* One credit hour course ▲May choose only one, falls under MOTR code 'PERF’

❑ Must be taken with CHM 161 to count as a lab course. In order to fulfil the Core 42 Natural Science requirement, students must complete at least one lab course.

# Missouri State University

MSU Bachelor of Science in Communication Studies after OTC Associate of Arts in General Studies

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### MSU Year 3 Semester 1

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: COM 260 Communicating with Cultural Competence
* Credit hours: 3

Communication Studies Elective - 24 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: [Click here to review the complete list of Communications Studies Electives](https://communication.missouristate.edu/CommStudies/commrequirements.htm).
* Credit hours: 3

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* Credit hours: 3

Secondary Area of Study - 18 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose one: Plan A: 18 upper division hours in a single area of study outside of Communication. Plan B: A coherent combination of at least 18 upper division courses that best support your goals in consultation with an advisor.
* Credit hours: 3

General Elective\*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.
* Credit hours: 3

Semester 1 Total: 15 Credit Hours

### MSU Year 3 Semester 2

Communication Studies Elective - 24 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: [Click here to review the complete list of Communications Studies Electives](https://communication.missouristate.edu/CommStudies/commrequirements.htm).
* Credit hours: 3

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* Credit hours: 3

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: COM 209 Survey of Communication Theory
* Credit hours: 3

Secondary Area of Study - 18 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose one: Plan A: 18 upper division hours in a single area of study outside of Communication. Plan B: A coherent combination of at least 18 upper division courses that best support your goals in consultation with an advisor.
* Credit hours: 3

Secondary Area of Study - 18 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose one: Plan A: 18 upper division hours in a single area of study outside of Communication. Plan B: A coherent combination of at least 18 upper division courses that best support your goals in consultation with an advisor.
* Credit hours: 3

Semester 2 Total: 15 Credit Hours

### MSU Year 4 Semester 3

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: COM 210 Communication Research Methods
* Credit hours: 3

Communication Studies Elective - 24 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: [Click here to review the complete list of Communications Studies Electives](https://communication.missouristate.edu/CommStudies/commrequirements.htm).
* Credit hours: 3

Communication Studies Elective - 24 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: [Click here to review the complete list of Communications Studies Electives](https://communication.missouristate.edu/CommStudies/commrequirements.htm).
* Credit hours: 3

Secondary Area of Study - 18 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose one: Plan A: 18 upper division hours in a single area of study outside of Communication. Plan B: A coherent combination of at least 18 upper division courses that best support your goals in consultation with an advisor.
* Credit hours: 3

Secondary Area of Study - 18 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose one: Plan A: 18 upper division hours in a single area of study outside of Communication. Plan B: A coherent combination of at least 18 upper division courses that best support your goals in consultation with an advisor.
* Credit hours: 3

Semester 3 Total: 15 Credit Hours

### MSU Year 4 Semester 4

Major Requirement

* MSU Course ID/Title: COM 350 The Rhetorical Tradition and Contemporary Applications
* Credit hours: 3

Communication Studies Elective - 24 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: [Click here to review the complete list of Communications Studies Electives](https://communication.missouristate.edu/CommStudies/commrequirements.htm).
* Credit hours: 3

Communication Studies Elective - 24 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: [Click here to review the complete list of Communications Studies Electives](https://communication.missouristate.edu/CommStudies/commrequirements.htm).
* Credit hours: 3

Secondary Area of Study - 18 hours required

* MSU Course ID/Title: Choose one: Plan A: 18 upper division hours in a single area of study outside of Communication. Plan B: A coherent combination of at least 18 upper division courses that best support your goals in consultation with an advisor.
* Credit hours: 3

General Elective\*\*

* MSU Course ID/Title: Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.
* Credit hours: 5

Semester 4 Total: 13 Credit Hours  
Total Hours at MSU: 58  
Total Hours Overall: 120-127

\*\* Electives provide the opportunity to customize your degree program. Some elective credits may or may not be needed to bring total credit hours to a minimum of 120 credit hours and upper division hours (300+) to 40.

This degree is also available as a Bachelor of Arts (BA). [Click here to access the Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements](https://www.missouristate.edu/registrar/catalog/BArequirements.htm)

Please consult with an MSU transfer advisor to determine your best degree options.

This information is provided as a guide only.

* OTC students are strongly encouraged to meet with their major specific MSU transfer advisor early in their OTC education to discuss the most appropriate OTC coursework for their intended MSU major, MSU degree requirements, etc.
* Students are required to fulfill MSU graduation and GPA requirements to receive a degree and should consult with their MSU advisor and the MSU undergraduate catalog for details, as there may exist pre-requisite requirements as well as periodicity limitations that could affect scheduling sequences.
* Please note that transfer students from Missouri public colleges and universities may follow the general education and general baccalaureate degree requirements in effect at Missouri State when they first enrolled (or re-enrolled after an absence of one calendar year or more) as degree-seeking students at the institutions from which they transferred (e.g., OTC).