

Transfer Planning Guide 2024-2025

Major in Communication Design

Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)

Texas Education Code Section 61.822 requires that Texas public institutions facilitate the transferability of lower-division course credit through the [Core Curriculum](http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-education-core-curriculum/). The Core Curriculum contains nine Foundational Component Areas (42 hours), which every Texas State student must satisfy to graduate. Students will receive core credit at Texas State for any course successfully completed in the Core Curriculum of the sending institution.

Texas State is a participant in the Texas Common Course Numbering System ([TCCNS](https://www.tccns.org/)). Use the TCCNS to find courses you can take at your institution to ensure transfer of credit toward freshman- and sophomore- level degree requirements at Texas State.

**RECOMMENDED CORE CURRICULUM CHOICES**

Core curriculum transfer credit from Texas community colleges and public universities are guaranteed to apply toward the Texas State University core. However, degree plans may specify how to fulfill some core requirements. The recommendations in this section satisfy core requirements with courses normally prescribed by this degree plan at Texas State.

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| **Core Curriculum Component** | **TCCN** | **TEXAS STATE** |
| 010 - Communication | ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302 | ENG 1310 and ENG 1320 |
| 020 - Mathematics | Any 020 course | Any 020 course |
| 030 - Life and Physical Sciences | Any two 030 courses | Any two 030 courses |
| 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture | Any 040 course | Any 040 course |
| 050 - Creative Arts | Any 050 course | Any 050 course |
| 060 - American History | Any two 060 courses | Any two 060 courses |
| 070 - Government/Political Science | GOVT 2306 and GOVT 2305 | POSI 2310 and POSI 2320 |
| 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences | Any 080 course | Any 080 course |
| 090 - Component Area Option | ENGL 2322, 2323, 2332, 2333, 2327 or 2328 and any 090 course | ENG 2310, 2320, 2330, 2340, 2359, or 2360 and any 090 course |

**ADDITIONAL LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

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| **TCCN** | **TEXAS STATE** |
| ARTS 1311 | ART 1301 |
| ARTS 2348 | ART 1303 |
| ARTS 1303 | ARTH 2301 |
| ARTS 1304 | ARTH 2302 |
| ARTS 2356, 2316, 2333, or 2366\* | ARTS 1303, 2351, 2371, or 2391\* |
| ARTS 2346, 2326, or 2336\*\* | ARTS 2311, 2381, or 2331\*\* |

*\*Choose 6 hours (2 classes) from 2D Studio Art group.*

*\*\*Choose 3 hours (1 class) from 3D Studio Art group.*

**ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Admission requirements for the BFA major in Communication Design are more restrictive than those of the University, and enrollment is limited to provide students with quality experience. All applicants who indicate Communication Design as their preferred major will be assigned a temporary status code of Pre-Communication Design.

Requirements for admission requirements to the Communication Design Program are:

1. Required GPA – 2.75
2. Minimum grade of “C” in Texas State’s ART 1301 and ART 1303 (or their equivalents)
3. A passing grade of CR in ARTC 2000 (Admission Portfolio Review)
4. Minimum grade of “B” in ARTC 1301 (*can only be taken at Texas State*)
5. Minimum grade of “B” in ARTC 1302 (*can only be taken at Texas State*)

The Admission Portfolio Review is a formal review of creative work exclusively from ARTC 1301 and ARTC 1302, conducted by Communication Design faculty, using the following [rubric](https://gato-docs.its.txst.edu/jcr:8350449e-f12b-48bb-b09f-42847b6b5308/ARTC%20Admission%20Portfolio%20Evaluation%20Form%20(2).pdf). A score of 60% or above is required to pass the portfolio review. Native and transfer students will register for ARTC 2000 during the earliest semester in which they will meet all eligibility requirements. Students who do not pass ARTC 2000 may register for a future review but will be allowed only one more attempt. Pre-Communication Design majors will not be permitted to enroll in 2000 – 4000 level Communication Design courses until they have met all requirements and have been formally admitted to the program.

**UNIVERSITY ADMISSION:**

1. Submit a completed [application](https://www.admissions.txstate.edu/apply/), all supporting documents, including an official high school transcript and transcript(s) from every institution attended and application fee, to Undergraduate Admissions by the stated [priority date](http://www.admissions.txstate.edu/future/application-dates.html).
2. Students with **1-14 transferable hours** must have a minimum 2.0 GPA in all transferable course work and meet [freshman admission](http://www.admissions.txstate.edu/future/freshman/admissions-requirements/) [standards](http://www.admissions.txstate.edu/future/freshman/admissions-requirements/). Students with **15-29 transferable hours** must have a minimum 2.5 GPA in all transferable course work. Students with **30 or more transferable hours** must have a minimum 2.25 GPA in all transferable course work. All students must be eligible to return to all previous institutions and be at least one full semester out of high school.

Students transferring to Texas State from a community college may elect to follow the [Texas State Undergraduate Catalog](http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/) that was in effect at the time they enrolled at their community college. Students may also, with the approval of their College Dean, follow a subsequent catalog. Students are reminded to refer to their designated catalog for information related to university requirements for curriculum, graduation, probation/suspension, and other general information.

In accordance with rule [§4.25 of the Texas Administrative code](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac%24ext.TacPage/?sl=R&app=9&p_dir&p_rloc&p_tloc&p_ploc&pg=1&p_tac&ti=19&pt=1&ch=4&rl=25), Texas State will apply to a degree up to 72 semester credit hours from an accredited junior/community college. At the time of transfer, all transferable work attempted at a junior/community college will be recorded on the official transcript. If the number of hours transferred from a junior college exceeds 72, the student’s chair or director will recommend to the college dean how the student will satisfy degree requirements. For more details, see the [Undergraduate Admissions](http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-information/admissions/) section of the Texas State undergraduate catalog.

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