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The Department of Language and Literature requests authority to eliminate the following courses from the Communication Minor, allowing student the choice of five electives from any Communication courses of a Minor in Communication.

### MINOR IN COMMUNICATION

#### MINOR CURRICULUM - COMMUNICATION

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**Required:**

COMM 3000 [Communication and Meaning](#)

**Five electives from any Communication courses offered. Except**

- COMM 2331\* - [Photography I: Introduction to Visual Communication Skills and Tools](#)
- COMM 3302\* - [Video Production I](#)
- COMM 3303\* - [Video Editing and Post-Production I](#)
- COMM 3310 - [Methods of Inquiry](#)
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- COMM 4330 - [Special Issues in Communication](#)

COMM 4340 [Communication Ethics](#)

COMM 4360 [Communication Theory and Practice](#) ~~\*\*\*~~ \*

COMM 4350 [Communication Internship](#) ~~\*\*\*~~ \*\*

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~~\*No more than two courses from COMM [2331](#), [3302](#), [3303](#)~~

- \* ~~\*\*\*~~ To be taken with permission of the instructor.
- \*\* ~~\*\*\*~~ Communication minor students need permission from Internship Coordinator to enroll in this course.

**Rationale:** Student would be able to select from all Communication courses offered even those not listed. This will prevent unnecessary use of substitution forms for those COMM courses not listed.

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Further explanation of the above rationale from Dr Lindberg.

The problem is that COMM majors are only authorized to choose from a specific list of courses (those crossed out on the form) which, due to the desperate thinness of our COMM faculty, are not offered all that often. Specialties of the COMM faculty have changed as well, leading us to offer a different set of courses than those currently on the list. Because of this, COMM majors constantly have to do substitution forms to get credit for the actual courses they take. The goal of the change is to enable students to apply whatever upper level courses they take within the COMM program (with the stated exceptions, which are no-choice requirements) toward their degree, thus eliminating the flurry of substitution forms.

**From:** Brown, Lynda S.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 02, 2008 9:06 AM  
**To:** Trevino, Mary T.; Lindberg, Kevin

Correct! Thanks  
Lynda S. Brown, Ph.D.

**From:** Trevino, Mary T.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 02, 2008 8:39 AM  
**To:** Brown, Lynda S.; Lindberg, Kevin

The asterisks would remain. So the minor would read as follows:

MINOR IN COMMUNICATION 18 SCH  
Required:  
COMM 3000 Communication and Meaning  
Five electives from any Communication courses offered except  
COMM 4360 Communication Theory and Practice\*  
COMM 4350 Communication Internship\*\*

\*To be taken with permission of the instructor.  
\*\*Communication minor students need permission from Internship Coordinator to enroll in this course.

Correct?  
**From:** Brown, Lynda S.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 02, 2008 8:17 AM  
**To:** Trevino, Mary T.; Lindberg, Kevin

The asterisks were to indicate- need permission of the instructor. I have upon occasion given permission for a comm minor student to register for internship.  
Lynda S. Brown, Ph.D.

**From:** Brown, Lynda S.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 02, 2008 6:36 AM  
**To:** Lindberg, Kevin; Trevino, Mary T.

Good Morning,  
Communication minors are permitted to take communication ethics. In fact, I usually advise minors to take this class.  
Lynda

**From:** Lindberg, Kevin  
**Sent:** Monday, December 01, 2008 5:53 PM  
**To:** Trevino, Mary T. **Cc:** Brown, Lynda S.

Hi Mary – good eye; the first asterisk is no longer needed, so I guess we'd change the \*\* to \* and the \*\*\* to \*\*. As for the question on Communication Ethics, I don't know – Lynda, what do you think?  
Kevin

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Trevino, Mary T.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 25, 2008 2:12 PM  
**To:** Lindberg, Kevin

Dr. Lindberg – where would the first asterisk be noted? Since the COMM 2331, 3302 and 3303 are lined out, should the asterisk be noted after the sentence:  
Five electives from any Communication courses offered.\*

Also, is there a particular reason why a minor in Communications would not be able to take Communication Ethics?