

SCIENCE COMMUNICATION MINOR

Minor Requirements and Curriculum

The minor must be completed prior to, or at the same time as, the requirements for the bachelor's degree. A major and a minor may not be taken in the same degree program, and a minor is not required for a degree. Requirements for the minor include:

- At least half of the units must be from upper-division courses (3000-4000 level).
- At least half of the units must be taken at Cal Poly (in residence).
- No more than one-third of the units will be taken with credit-no credit grading (CR/NC), not counting courses with mandatory CR/NC. Departments may further limit CR/NC grading if desired.
- A minimum 2.0 GPA is required in all units counted for completion of the minor.

Code	Title	Units
REQUIRED COURSES		
ES/WGQS 3350	Gender, Race, Culture, Science, and Technology	4
ISLA 1123	Introduction to Science, Technology, and Society	3
ISLA 4456	Advanced Project-Based Learning in Science, Technology & Society	4
Science Communication Core		
Select from the following:		6-8
COMS 3390	Environmental Communication	
COMS/ISLA 3395	Science Communication	
COMS 4402	Rhetorics of Science, Technology, and Medicine	
COMS 4418	Health Communication	
ENGL 2222	Introduction to Technical and Professional Communication	
ISLA 3305	Public Engagements with STEM	
JOUR 3314	Public Relations and Crisis Management	
JOUR 3350	Data Journalism	
Science Communication Electives		
Select from the following:		3-4
AGC 2205	Agricultural Communications	
COMS 3317	Technology and Human Communication	
ENGL 3315	Writing Sustainability, Equity, and Resilience	
ENGL 3317	Humanistic Perspectives in Technical and Professional Editing	
ENGL 3380	Themes in Literature and Culture	
ENGL 4469	Advanced Topics in Technical and Professional Communication	
HIST 3350	The Scientific Revolution: 1500-1800	
HIST 3355	History of Network and Information Technologies	
ISLA 3303	Values and Technology	
JOUR 3303	Video Storytelling	
JOUR 3305	Journalism Ethics	
JOUR 3313	Public Relations Campaigns	
JOUR 3350	Data Journalism	
MATE 3359	Living in a Material World	
MSCI 4440	Communicating Ocean Sciences to Informal Audiences	
NR 3323	Human Dimensions in Natural Resources Management	
POLS 4451	Technology and Public Policy	
PSY 3311	Environmental Psychology	
SPAN 3380	Spanish for the Professions ¹	
Total Units		20

¹ Topic courses require department approval. Please contact department for a list of approved topics.