

**Limited Admissions Program Course Equivalencies**

**Effective for all course work completed by applicants in the following terms: Fall 2009, Spring 2010, and Summer 2010**

Please see the NIU *Undergraduate Catalog* for specific admission information.

**Communication Studies Major  
Department of Communication  
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The total number of students accepted into a Communication Studies major is limited by the available resources and is competitive in relation to requirements for declaration. Transfer students compete with other transfer students for admission to the departmental emphases and non-transfer students compete with other non-transfer students. All students wishing to be formally admitted into one of the Communication Studies emphases must have completed the following requirements prior to the department's application deadlines:

1. Completion of a minimum of 15 semester credit hours.
2. A minimum of 2.20 cumulative GPA on a 4.00 scale (as calculated by NIU).
3. Completion of the following courses:

<u><b>NIU Courses</b></u>	<u><b>Oakton Equivalents</b></u>
ENGL 103 Rhetoric & Composition I (3)	EGL 101

***Students must choose either a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree.***

***For B.A. Students (A Foreign Language course is required for admission):***

A course in a Foreign Language after placement, or a course equivalent to the second semester at the intermediate level, **or** 4 years (8 semesters) of the same Foreign Language in high school with no grade lower than C, **or** exemption by examination, **or** status as a foreign student with a native language other than English.

***For B.S. Students (one of the following Math courses is required for admission):***

MATH 210 Finite Mathematics (3) <b>or</b>	MAT 143
MATH 211 Calculus for Business and Social Science (3) <b>or</b>	MAT 180
MATH 229 Calculus I (4) <b>or</b>	MAT 250
MATH 230 Calculus II (4)	MAT 251

4. Early application is encouraged.
5. Transfer students who will have completed the above requirements need not apply separately to the Department of Communication.
6. Transfer students who have been admitted to the university, but who have not completed the above requirements, should seek departmental advisement at Orientation or as soon as they arrive on campus. Such students must follow the deadlines listed above for currently enrolled students, but consideration will be given to their need for access to major courses prior to formal admission into the program.