

LIFE SCIENCES COMMUNICATION, B.S.

THREE-YEAR PLAN

This Sample Three-Year Plan is a tool to assist students and their advisor(s). Students should use it —along with their DARS report, the Degree Planner, and Course Search & Enroll tools — to make their own three-year plan based on their placement scores, credit for transferred courses and approved examinations, and individual interests.

Three-year plans may vary considerably from student to student, depending on their individual preparation and circumstances. Students interested in graduating in three years should meet with an advisor as early as possible to discuss feasibility, appropriate course sequencing, post-graduation plans (careers, graduate school, etc.), and opportunities they might forgo in pursuit of a three-year graduation plan.

These three-year road maps below are designed to provide an example of how a student could complete their B.S. in Life Sciences Communication within three years. One plan assumes you are entering college with 29 credits from Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or college transfer courses, including fulfilling UW-Madison's Quantitative Reasoning A requirement through credit or placement scores. The other plan assumes you are entering without bringing in outside credits. Your specific program of study could, and probably will, look different. You should customize the road map to fit your unique path at UW-Madison. Consult with your advisor about the best path for you.

SAMPLE THREE-YEAR PLAN #1¹

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
LSC 100 (Comm A) ²	3 LSC 111 or 212 (Comm B)	3 Social Sciences Elective	3
First Year Seminar	1 LSC 250	3	
Humanities Elective	3 Chemistry	4-5	
Electives ³	7 Ethnic Studies	3	
	14	13-14	3

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
LSC 251	3 LSC Core	3
LSC Core	3 Biological Science Elective	3
STAT 301, 371, or CE SOC 360 ⁴	3-4 Humanities Elective	3
Additional Science Elective	3 Electives	7
Electives	3	
	15-16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
LSC Concentration	3 LSC Capstone	3

International Studies	3 LSC Concentration	3
Science Breadth Elective	3 Biological Science Elective	3
Electives	6 Electives	6
	15	15

Total Credits 91-93

- Plan #1 assumes that students are coming to UW-Madison with approximately 29 credits from AP/IB or college transfer credits and that the University Quantitative Reasoning A requirement is fulfilled through transfer credit or placement scores. Your plan may look different depending on the number of credits you bring in.
- LSC 100 Science and Storytelling is not required for the major but is strongly encouraged for students who need to take a Communication A course.
- Many LSC students use their elective coursework to take additional LSC courses, to add one or more certificates, to add a double major, or to take other coursework to work to achieve their academic and career goals.
- LSC recommends STAT 301 Introduction to Statistical Methods, STAT 371 Introductory Applied Statistics for the Life Sciences or C&E SOC/SOC 360 Statistics for Sociologists I to fulfill the university Quantitative Reasoning B requirement.

SAMPLE THREE-YEAR PLAN #2¹

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
LSC 100 ²	3 LSC 111 or 212 (Comm B)	3 LSC 251	3
MATH 112 or 114 ³	3 LSC 250	3 Electives	6
First Year Seminar	1 Chemistry	4-5	
Humanities Elective	3 Ethnic Studies	3	
Electives ⁴	4 Electives	3	
	14	16-17	9

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
LSC Core	3 Biological Science Elective	3 LSC Core	3
STAT 301, 371, or CE SOC 360 ⁵	3-4 Social Sciences Elective	3 Science Breadth Elective	3
Additional Science Elective	3 Humanities Elective	3 Electives	3
Electives	7 Electives	7	
	16-17	16	9

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
LSC Concentration	3 LSC Capstone	3 LSC Concentration	3
International Studies	3 Biological Science Elective	3 Electives	6

Electives	9-11 Electives	10
	15-17	16
		9

Total Credits 120-124

- ¹ Plan #2 assumes that you are coming to UW-Madison without credits from AP/IB or another college/university.
- ² LSC 100 Science and Storytelling is not required for the major but is strongly encouraged for students who need to take a Comm A course.
- ³ LSC recommends MATH 112 Algebra or MATH 114 Algebra and Trigonometry for students who need to complete the university Quantitative Reasoning A requirement.
- ⁴ Many LSC students use their elective coursework to take additional LSC courses, to add one or more certificates, to add a double major, or to take other coursework to work to achieve their academic and career goals.
- ⁵ LSC strongly recommends STAT 301 Introduction to Statistical Methods, STAT 371 Introductory Applied Statistics for the Life Sciences or C&E SOC/SOC 360 Statistics for Sociologists I to fulfill the university Quantitative Reasoning B requirement.