

## Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences

# Associate of Arts Degree

## University Parallel Program

### Emphasis: Communication Studies

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The university parallel program in Communication Studies is designed for individuals who intend to complete the first two years of a baccalaureate degree program at Northeast State and then transfer to a four-year college or university to complete the bachelor's degree program in Communication Studies. The curriculum includes general education and other selected courses typically required in a baccalaureate degree program in Communication Studies.

#### PROGRAM TRANSFERABILITY

This program was designed as a Tennessee Transfer Path to UT/TBR four year universities in compliance with Complete College Tennessee Act of 2010. Programs with this designation are intended to provide a seamless transfer between all schools in the Tennessee Board of Regents or University of Tennessee systems. Therefore, students completing this program should expect a seamless transfer to any public university in Tennessee. The program may also transfer to private colleges.

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

A student desiring to pursue an Associate of Arts degree in Communication Studies must:

1. Submit the Northeast State Application for Admission to the Office of Admissions and Records.
2. Indicate University Parallel-Associate of Arts degree program in Communication Studies as the desired program on the Northeast State application form.
3. See a faculty advisor representing the Communication Studies program prior to registering for classes.



#### TYPICAL PROGRAM OF STUDY

| Course No.                       | Course Title                            | Credit |
|----------------------------------|---|--------|
| <u>Fall</u>                      |   |        |
| Communication                    | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| EDUC 1030                        | College and Lifelong Learning           | 3      |
| ENGL 1010                        | English Composition I                   | 3      |
| Foreign Language                 | Select one course                       | 3      |
| Mathematics                      | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| <u>Spring</u>                    |   |        |
| Behavioral/Social Sciences       | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| ENGL 1020                        | English Composition II                  | 3      |
| Foreign Language                 | One from same language                  | 3      |
| History                          | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| COMM 2090                        | Interpersonal Communication             | 3      |
| or                               |   |        |
| COMM 2095                        | Small Group Communication               | 3      |
| <u>Fall</u>                      |   |        |
| Behavioral/Social Sciences       | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| Humanities                       | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| and/or Fine Arts                 | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| Literature                       | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| Natural Sciences                 | Select one approved course              | 4      |
| COMM 2055                        | Argumentation and Debate                | 3      |
| or                               |   |        |
| COMM 2065                        | Advanced Public Speaking                | 3      |
| <u>Spring</u>                    |   |        |
| History                          | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| Humanities                       | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| and/or Fine Arts                 | Select one approved course              | 3      |
| COMM 2075                        | Organizational Communication            | 3      |
| or                               |   |        |
| COMM 2085                        | Business and Professional Communication | 3      |
| Speech or Communication Elective |   | 3      |
| Natural Sciences                 | Select one approved course              | 4      |
| Total Credit Hours               |   | 62     |

Additional courses may be required to overcome deficiencies in English, mathematics, and reading.

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Northeast State Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, creed, ethnic or national origin, sex, disability, age status as a protected veteran or any other class protected by Federal or State laws and regulations and by Tennessee Board of Regents policies with respect to employment, programs, and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Linda W. Calvert, Vice President for Administration & Grant Development, AffAct@NortheastState.edu, P.O. Box 246, Blountville, TN 37617-0246, 423.323.0222.

Northeast State Community College's policy on nondiscrimination can be found at <https://apps.northeaststate.edu/ie/policymanual/pol.asp?p=254>.

Northeast State Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award the associate degree. Questions about the accreditation of Northeast State may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website ([www.sacscoc.org](http://www.sacscoc.org)).