



Bachelor of Arts in Communication, 2025-2026

Piedmont Technical College to USC Upstate Transfer Pathways

If you complete your associate degree

Associate's Degree	Completion of the Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree satisfies all general education courses. Associate of Applied of Science completion requires a minimum 30 hours of general education credit be completed.	<input type="checkbox"/> AA <input type="checkbox"/> AS <input type="checkbox"/> AAS	<p>The following courses are recommended to be completed during associate degree completion to ensure timely graduation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SPC 205</p>
Communications Transfer Notes	<p>1. A <u>maximum</u> of 90 hours from a technical college program may be counted towards degree credit at USC Upstate. All courses transferred for degree credit must have a minimum grade of "C"</p> <p>2. Courses excluded from general transfer must be completed prior to upper-level courses.</p>		

If you transfer before completing associate degree

Recommended courses: Minimum 30 hours needed to transfer

USC Upstate Courses		Hours	Piedmont Technical College
I. Communication		9 hours	
English	ENGL U101, U102	<input type="checkbox"/>	ENG 101 ENG 102
Speech	SPCH U201	<input type="checkbox"/>	SPC 205
II. Mathematics, Logic, & Natural Sciences		10-11 hours	
Mathematics	ECON U291; MATH U102, U120, U121, U122	<input type="checkbox"/>	MAT 103, 109, 110, 120, 130
Natural Science (w/lab)	ASTR U111/L; BIOL U101/L, U102/L, U110/L, U220/L, U244/L; CHEM U106/L, U109/L, U111/L, U112/L; GEOL U101/L, U102/L, U103/L; PHYS U101/L, U201/L, U202/L	<input type="checkbox"/>	AST 101; BIO 101, 102, 105, 216; CHM 105, 106, 107, 110, 111, 112; PHY 201, 202, 221, 222
Math, Logic and/or Natural Science	Any course in Mathematics or Natural Sciences listed above or BIOL U143/L, U206, U240, U260, U270; GEOL U104, U120; LOGC U205, U207; MATH U142; PSYC U225; SOCY U201	<input type="checkbox"/>	AST 101; CHM 107; MAT 109, 110, 111, 120, 140, 141, 211, 220; PHI 105
III. Information Technology		3 hours	
Info Tech	CSCI U138, U150; DGST U101; INFO U101, U102; LIBR U201; MUSC U162	<input type="checkbox"/>	CPT 170
IV. Fine Arts, Humanities & History		9 hours	
Fine Arts	AFAM U204; ARTH U101, U105, U106; MUSC U110, U140; THEA U161, U170	<input type="checkbox"/>	ART 101, 107, 108; MUS 105; THE 101, 105
History	HIST U101, U102, U105 or U106	<input type="checkbox"/>	HIS 104, 105, 201, 202
Humanities	Any course in Fine Arts or History listed above or AMST U101, U102; ENGL U208, U245, U252, U275, U279, U280, U289, U290, U291; FILM U240; PHIL U102, U211; RELG U103; SOST U201; PHIL U111	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any course in Fine Arts or History listed above or ENG 201, 202, 205, 206, 208, 209, 234; PHIL 101; REL 201
V. Foreign Language and Culture		3 Hours	
<i>Students placing into the U201 or higher level of a language satisfy the language requirement but will have additional hours in electives, if hours are required by the major.</i>			
Foreign Language	ASLG U101; FREN U101; GERM U101; SPAN U101	<input type="checkbox"/>	FRE 101; GER 101; SPA 101

VI. Social and Behavioral Sciences		6 hours	
Social & Behavioral Science	ANTH U102; CRJU 101; ECON U221, U222; GEOG U103; POLI U101; PSYC U101; SOCY U101; SPCH U210; WGST U101; UNIV U201	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	ANT 101; CRJ 101; ECO 210, 211; PSC 201; PSY 201; SOC 101
VII. General Ed. Electives		3 Hours	
General Ed. Electives	Any course from any section above or ASLG U102; FREN U102; GERM U102, SPAN U102	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any course from any section above or FRE 102; GER 102; SPA 102
Major Requirements		15 Hours	
Major Requirements	COMM U375, U490; JOUR U305; SPCH U301, U333	<input type="checkbox"/>	

One of the following Areas of Focus:

GROUP A: COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Writing and Presentation Skills	ENGL U318; INFO U345; SPCH U313, U340, U360, U440	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Culture and Communication	SPCH U311, U312, 347, U350, U379, U380, U430, U450	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Professional Practices	COMM U399; JOUR U303, U360; SPCH U303, U309, U330, U348, U448	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Three additional courses from the above categories	Three additional courses from the above categories	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

GROUP B: MASS MEDIA

Mass Media Core	JOUR U201, U303, U304	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Writing	JOUR U328, U333, U334, U350	<input type="checkbox"/>	
History and Theory	JOUR U302, U310, U315, U348, U450, U480; POLI U365; Approved 300-level or higher SPCH course	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Film	FILM U342, U360, U425, U435, U475, U481, U482	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Professional Options	COMM U399; ENGL U318; FILM U326, U426; JOUR U328, U330, U335, U349. U350, U351, U360, U428, U430; MKTG U350	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Two additional courses from the above categories	Two additional courses from the above categories	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

GROUP C: PUBLIC RELATIONS

Public Relations Core	JOUR U201, U303, U328, U331, U350, U428	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
Media History and Theory	JOUR U302, U310, U348, U450, U480; POLI U365; SPCH U312; Approved 300 level or higher FILM course; Approved 300 level or higher SPCH course.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Professional Options	COMM U399; FILM U326, U426; JOUR U304, U330, U333, U335, U349, U351, U360, U429, U430; MKTG U350; additional MKTG course with U350 as a pre-requisite; PSYC U311 OR SPCH U448	<input type="checkbox"/>	
One additional course from the above categories	One additional course from the above categories	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Electives	13-23
Total USC Upstate hours required for graduation	120

*** Please refer to the transfer guide in the USC Upstate catalog, pages 22-23 at <http://www.uscupstate.edu/academics/catalog> for complete transfer options.*