

ADDENDA TO THIS CATALOG

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When necessary, the university will track changes to the Undergraduate Catalog in this addenda section:

- For addenda related to policies, rules, regulations, tuition, fees and general information, see **General Addenda**
- For addenda related to curricula (i.e., descriptions, learning outcomes, and requirements for majors, minors, and certificates), see **Curricula Addenda**

Note: Updates to course offerings (e.g., course description changes), will be reflected in the following year's catalog and are not tracked in this addenda section.

GENERAL ADDENDA

There are currently no general addenda

This section contains addenda related to policies, rules, regulations, tuition, fees and general information. Each addendum contains an excerpt from the catalog as it was originally published as well as the change that was made. To view the full original text, see the catalog page referenced in the addendum.

CURRICULA ADDENDA

This section contains a list of addenda related to undergraduate program changes. Each listing details changes that have been made to the program or indicates if the program is new.

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COMMUNICATION MAJOR

Under Communication Major (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/communication/communication-major/>)

- **Admission to the Major:** Effective Fall 2025, the Communication major is no longer classified as a Limited Enrollment Program (LEP). As such, the Admission to the Major section is no longer applicable. (Published July 25, 2025)

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Admission to the Major

First-time Freshman

All first-time freshmen who designate Communication as a major prior to the end of the final exam period of their first semester will be admitted directly to the program. They must sign a Memorandum of Understanding that states that they understand that by the semester in which they attain

45 University of Maryland credits (excluding AP), they must meet the following gateway requirements:

1. Complete one of the following courses with a grade of "C-" or better: BMGT230, CCJS200, EDMS451, PSYC200, SOCY201, STAT100, or equivalent.
2. Complete COMM107, COMM200, or COMM230 with a grade of "C-" or better
3. Complete COMM250 with a grade of "C-" or better and
4. A GPA of 2.0 or better

Students may repeat only one of the gateway requirements and that requirement may be repeated only once in their attempt to meet the requirements. Students who fail to meet the gateway requirements by the semester in which they attain 45 credits will be dismissed from the program and cannot reapply.

Transfer Students

Internal and external transfer students who meet the gateway requirements specified above must also have a cumulative GPA of 2.70 in all college-level coursework to apply to the program.

Appeals

All students may appeal admission decisions. Students directly admitted as freshmen, who are dismissed because of failure to meet gateway requirements or a failure to be in good academic standing at 45 credits, may appeal directly to the undergraduate director in the Department of Communication. All other students who are denied admission may appeal to the university's Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

Change

Admission to the Major: This section is no longer applicable.