

Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Communication

The following is presented as an articulation agreement between Illinois Valley Community College (IVCC) and Governors State University (GovState) for the Communication degree program based on the current catalogs of both schools. The student would receive an Associate of Arts (AA) degree from IVCC and a Bachelor of Arts in Communication (BA) degree from GovState.

I. TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION (37 Hours) **Communications (9 hours)**

- ENG 1001 - Composition I (3) (Meets ENGL-1000)
- ENG 1002 - Composition II (3) (Meets ENGL-1010)
- SPH 1001 - Fundamentals of Speech (3) (Meets COMM-1000)

Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours)

- Humanities Course (3)*
- Fine Arts Course (3)*
- Humanities or Fine Arts Course (3)*

Mathematics (3 hours)

- IAI Mathematics Course* (3)

Physical and Life Sciences (7-8 hours)

Select one life science course and one physical science course. One course must have a lab.

- Life Science Course (3-4)*
- Physical Science Course (3-4)*

Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)

- Social and Behavioral Science Courses from two disciplines (9)

II. AREA OF CONCENTRATION/MAJOR FIELD (23 Hours)

- SPH 1003 - Intercultural Communication (3)
- SPH 1204 - Oral Communication Skills for Business, Industry & Technology (3)
- THE 2001 - Oral Interpretation (3)
- Elective (14)

REQUIRED A.A. DEGREE PROGRAM TOTAL: 60 Hours

*** Refer to the IVCC catalog guidelines for a list of course choices for Section I-II.**

III. TO BE COMPLETED AT GOVSTATE (60 Hours)

Core Courses (21 hours)

- COMM 3099 - Junior Seminar (3)
- COMM 3200 - Strategic Writing (3)
- COMM 3201 - Advanced Public Speaking (3)
- COMM 3202 - Communication Research (3)
- COMM 4201 - Communications Ethics (3)
- COMM 4900 - Senior Seminar (3)
- Select one of the following:
 - COMM 4210 - Communicating Gender (3)
 - COMM 4211 - Communicating Culture (3)
 - COMM 4212 - Communicating Identity (3)
 - COMM 4213 - Communicating Sexuality (3)

Communication Concentration (21 hours)

Select 21 hours from the approved list courses in the GovState catalog.

Communication Electives (8-12 hours)

Select eight to twelve hours of upper division communication courses with advisor approval.

Electives (6-10 Hours)

Minimum Required for BA in Communication: 120 Hours

For Additional Information:
Governors State University
Jaguar Transfer Evaluator at
<https://govst.transfer.degree/>

Illinois Valley Community College
Counseling & Transfer Center
(815) 224-2720

Visit the College of Arts and Sciences
at www.govst.edu/cas.

Visit IVCC at www.ivcc.edu

GovState Transfer Guide 08/11/2026

Articulation Agreement between Illinois Valley Community College and Governors State University