School of Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication

Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication with Critical Media Studies (BA)

Students who complete the major in Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication receive a thorough grounding in the mutually productive interaction of technology with the arts, with specific emphasis on the interplay of visual art, music, and narrative with the new modes of expression and communication that have emerged from the convergence of computing and media technologies. The program stresses not only the creation but also the potential applications and cultural implications of interactive media. A student majoring in Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication will be required to channel selected coursework according to individual needs and specialties. Particular attention should be given to the Prescribed Electives for the major, and close consultation with academic advisors is recommended. By selecting courses from a variety of the remaining elective headings, students are able to combine courses in technology and fine arts with coursework in literary criticism and interpretation, creative writing and translation, and linguistics and languages.

Unless otherwise noted, courses in Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication are open to all students in the University. However, students majoring in Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication may be given preference in certain course enrollments.

Bachelor of Arts in Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication with Critical Media Studies

Degree Requirements (120 semester credit hours)

Faculty

Professors: Anne Balsamo, Frank Dufour, Paul Fishwick, Roger Malina, Mihai Nadin
Clinical Professors: Elizabeth (Lisa) Bell, Michael Breault, Tim Christopher, Carie King, Paul Lester
Associate Professors: Christine (xtine) Burrough, Monica Evans, Eric Farrar, Todd Fechter, Rosanna Guadagno, Midori Kitagawa, Kim Knight, Maximilian Schich, Andrew Scott, Dean Terry
Clinical Associate Professors: Cassini Nazir, Derek Royal, Harold (Chip) Wood
Assistant Professors: Olivia Banner, Kristin Drogos, Phillip Hall, Casey Johnson, Angela M. Lee, Sean McComber, Ryan McMahan, Josef Nguyen
Clinical Assistant Professors: Janet Johnson, Jillian Round, Michael Stephens
Senior Lecturers: Elizabeth Boyd, Christopher Camacho, Filip Celander, Melissa Hernandez-Katz, Christina Nielsen, Barbara Vance

1. Core Curriculum Requirements: 42 semester credit hours

Communication: 6 semester credit hours

COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
RHET 1302 Rhetoric
Mathematics: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:
   MATH 1306  College Algebra for the Non-Scientist
   MATH 1314  College Algebra
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Mathematics core courses

Life and Physical Sciences: 6 semester credit hours
Select any 6 semester credit hours from Life and Physical Sciences core courses

Language, Philosophy and Culture: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:
   HUMA 1301  Exploration of the Humanities
   LIT 2331   Masterpieces of World Literature
   PHIL 1301  Introduction to Philosophy
   PHIL 2316  History of Philosophy I
   PHIL 2317  History of Philosophy II
Or select any 3 semester credit hours from Language, Philosophy and Culture core courses

Creative Arts: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:
   ARTS 1301  Exploration of the Arts
   AHST 1303  Survey of Western Art History: Ancient to Medieval
   AHST 1304  Survey of Western Art History: Renaissance to Modern
   AHST 2331  Understanding Art
   DANC 1310  Understanding Dance
   THEA 1310  Understanding Theatre
   FILM 2332  Understanding Film
   MUSI 1306  Understanding Music

American History: 6 semester credit hours
Choose two courses from the following:
   HIST 1301  U.S. History Survey to Civil War
   HIST 1302  U.S. History Survey from Civil War
   HIST 2301  History of Texas
HIST 2330  Themes and Ideas in American History  
HIST 2332  Civil War and Reconstruction  

Government / Political Science: 6 semester credit hours  
  GOVT 2305  American National Government  
  GOVT 2306  State and Local Government  

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 semester credit hours  
Select any 3 semester credit hours from Social and Behavioral Sciences core courses  

Component Area Option: 6 semester credit hours  
Choose two courses from the following or other Component Area Option  
  ARHM 2340  Creativity  
  ARHM 2342  Connections in the Arts and Humanities  
  ARHM 2343  Science and the Humanities  
  ARHM 2344  World Cultures  

II. Major Requirements, Lower-Division: 24 semester credit hours  
  ATCM 2301  Computer Imaging  
  ATCM 2302  Design I  
  ATCM 2300  Introduction to Technoculture  
  ATCM 2320  Critical Media Research Foundations  
  ATCM 2322  Media History  
  ATCM 2321  Reading Media Critically  
  ATCM 2335  Internet Studio I  
  CS 1335  Computer Science I for Non-majors  

III. Major Requirements, Upper-Division: 24 semester credit hours  
  ATCM 3320  Critical Media Theories  
  ATCM 3330  Digital Art and Social Practice  
  ATCM 3323  Reading in a Networked Era  
  ATCM 3321  Networked Identities  
  ATCM 4326  Mediated Textuality
ATCM 4330 Culture Jamming
ATCM 4320 Political Economy of Digital Media
ATCM 4398 Capstone Project
  or ATCM 4397 Senior Seminar

IV. Elective Requirements: 30 semester credit hours

Prescribed Electives: 15 semester credit hours

Choose any five courses from the following: (At least 2 must be 4000 level)
  ATCM 3323 Reading in a Networked Era
  ATCM 3331 Critical Making
  ATCM 3335 Internet Studio II
  ATCM 4322 Disability, Tech, and Media
  ATCM 4327 Privacy and Surveillance
  ATCM 4323 Feminism, Technology, and Media
  ATCM 4325 Race, Technology, and Media
  ATCM 4384 Ethics in New Media, Technology, and Communication
  ATCM 3383 Media Structures, Regulations, and Policy
  ATCM 4388 Attitudes and Behaviors
  ATCM 4334 Topics in Critical Media Studies
  PHIL 3309 Philosophy of Technology
  RHET 4302 Advanced Writing and Research
  RHET 4303 Advanced Editing

Free Electives: 15 semester credit hours

Both upper-and lower-division courses may be used as electives, but students must complete at least 51 semester credit hours of upper-division courses to qualify for graduation.

1. Incoming freshmen must enroll and complete requirements of UNIV 1010 and the corresponding school-related freshman seminar course. Students, including transfer students, who complete their core curriculum at UT Dallas must take UNIV 2020.
2. Curriculum Requirements can be fulfilled by other approved courses from institutions of higher education. The courses listed are recommended as the most efficient way to satisfy both Core Curriculum and Major Requirements at UT Dallas.
3. Students who are ATEC/CS double degree or who plan to minor in CS must enroll in CS 1336 Programming Fundamentals and CS 1136 Computer Science Laboratory and/or CS 1337 Computer Science I (if placed out of CS 1336 and CS 1136).