This Option is designed for students who are interested in developing knowledge, skills, and abilities that facilitate effective communication in personal, professional, and group contexts. Option Core requirements examine interpersonal communication processes of influence, support, conflict, and intimacy among friends, family, romantic partners, and in the workplace. Interpersonal Communication students can tailor the program so as to prepare themselves for work in multiple or multi-faceted communicative environments (e.g. as an advisor, educator, mediator, liaison, change agent in profit, non-profit, and national and international contexts).

**Required Coursework**

- CMN 2010 Introduction to Communication Theories
- CMN 2020 Communication Research Methods
- CMN 2030 Applied Communication
- CMN 2040 Argumentation and Critical Thinking

**Option Core**

- CMN 2630 Introduction to Interpersonal Communication
- CMN 3100 Persuasion
- CMN 3640 Advanced Interpersonal Communication (*JOU 3002 or CMN 2575 Prerequisite*)
- CMN 3470 Small Group Communication
- CMN 3660 Communication and Conflict Management
- CMN 3710 Intercultural Communication (*CMN 2630 Prerequisite*)
- CMN 4765 Communication in Families

**Electives** *(selected in consultation with an advisor)*

- See recommended elective clusters

**Total Required Hours**

- 45 hrs