

FAQ's for undergraduate applicants to Communication Studies

1. *Who do I address my application package to?*

Admissions Committee, Department of Communication Studies
Concordia University, Loyola Campus
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2. *What are the application deadlines?*

All documentation must be mailed to the Department of Communication Studies no later than March 1st, or, delivered in person to the Department of Communication Studies no later than 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 1st, 2016. A completed university application must be submitted online by March 1st.

3. *Where can I find the Summary Sheet and Academic Assessment Form?*

Both forms can be found on the Communication Studies website (<http://www.concordia.ca/artsci/coms/programs/undergraduate.html>).

4. *Who do I address the letter of intent to?*

The letter of intent may be addressed to: "Dear Admissions Committee" or "To whom it may concern".

5. *If I am a CEGEP student, what transcripts are required for my application?*

An unofficial copy of your CEGEP grades must be included with the package to Communication Studies. CEGEP applicants must also provide their permanent code on the online application so that the University can obtain their official transcripts (in-progress and final) from the Conférence des recteurs et des principaux des universités du Québec (CRÉPUQ) as soon as they are available.

6. *If I am an out of province student, what transcripts are required for my application?*

Out of province students are required to submit a copy of their Grade 11 and 12 marks.

7. *If I am a mature student, what transcripts are required for my application?*

Mature students are required to submit a copy of their most recent academic records.

8. *Does the University Application get sent to the Communication Studies Department?*

No. The applicant must submit a completed University application online. Here is the website: concordia.ca/apply

9. *What do I do if I am have been invited to an interview, but cannot make it in person?*

Those candidates who cannot make it in person to an interview will be notified to send (by a specific date) a creative portfolio and a written explanation of an assigned quotation.

10. *When will I hear if I've been selected for an interview?*

Completed applications that have been submitted to the Department will be reviewed in March. Applicants who are selected for an interview will receive a phone call or e-mail by mid-April.

11. *What happens to my application if I'm not selected for an interview?*

Those who are not selected for an interview and are new applicants to Concordia will be coded as "refusal for Coms" and the admission counsellor will then review the university application for alternate choice programs.

12. *Can I defer my admission if I am accepted to Communication Studies?*

No, the Department will not accept deferrals. Applicants will be expected to re-apply if they want to be considered again.

13. *Can I complete this degree if I am working full-time?*

All of the core courses in Communication Studies are offered during the day. Applicants who have flexible work schedules may be able to complete this degree, but it will not be possible to attend courses in the evening and complete this program.

14. *What is involved in making the portfolio, and what kind of work should I include?*

The portfolio can include any kind of creative work which shows your potential to do media practice work in the program. This could ideally include film or video projects, music or sound recordings, but could also include creative writing, photography, painting or drawing, journalistic writing – whatever you feel best represents your creative potential. You should include a few of your strongest works that you feel you can talk about and explain in an interview.

15. *Is there a minor in Communication Studies?*

No, there is no minor in the Communication Studies program. It is possible that if you are taking the Major in Communication Studies that you could take a minor in another program, such as Fine Arts, Languages, etc., while pursuing your BA in COMS.