

Rhetoric, Minor

The rhetoric minor appeals to students interested in history, theory, and the criticism of civic discourse and cultural practices. The minor integrates courses from the Department of Communication Studies and the Department of English that explore the nature and function of rhetoric in politics, the professions, and the media. The rhetoric minor offers students an opportunity to be better citizens, members of the community, and leaders in the workplace by learning how to use language strategically, to speak with integrity, and to appreciate the power of their own voice.

Minor Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where indicated.

Students must complete a minimum of three courses exclusive to this minor beyond the courses required for the student's declared major(s) and additional minor(s).

Foundational Course

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following:		4
COMM 1210	Persuasion and Rhetoric	
ENGL 1160	Introduction to Rhetoric	

Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Note: For English majors, only one course from the major may also count toward this elective section of the minor.		
Complete four of the following:		16
COMM 1331	Legal Argumentation, Advocacy, and Citizenship	
COMM 3415	Communication Criticism	
COMM 3501	Free Speech: Law and Practice	
COMM 4602	Contemporary Rhetorical Theory	
ENGL 3325	Rhetoric of Law	
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing	
ENGL 3404	African American Rhetorical Traditions	

GPA Requirement

2.000 GPA required in the minor