

# COMM 0004 COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA (WSTC PREP)

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 700260

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**Description** Communication and Media introduces students to key terminology, concepts and debates in the fields of Communication and Media Studies. The subject looks at the role of communication in a variety of private, professional and public contexts, developing students' ability to identify, evaluate and adopt effective communication practices. Students will also be introduced to the basic critical vocabulary and tools necessary to analyse media discourse and advertising.

**School** Western Sydney The College

**Discipline** Communication And Media Studies

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 0 Preparatory subject

**Equivalent Subjects** COMM 0005 - Communication and Media (UWSC)

## Restrictions

Students must be enrolled at Western Sydney University The College.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the components of communicative acts, private as well as public.
2. Accurately apply key terminology in the Media and Communication Studies.
3. Discuss the impact of globalisation and technological development on communication and media.
4. Analyse the impact of media representations and advertising on the individual, as well as on broader social, political, and cultural processes.
5. Critically assess media content in terms of balance, accuracy and agenda.
6. Demonstrate an understanding of the implications of media ownership and editorial control in the production of media texts.
7. Discuss the concept of censorship.

## Subject Content

Introduction to communication and media and communicator types  
Understanding nonverbal communication  
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## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Quiz	1 hour	10	N	Individual	N
Presentatio	10-12 minutes 200-300 words	20	N	Group/ Individual	N
Portfolio	1500-2500 words	50	N	Individual	N
Quiz	90 minutes	20	N	Individual	N

## Prescribed Texts

- UWSCollege Communication and Media Textbook