

## **Appendix 2: GEOC Program Plan for Information Literacy**

### **Major Program: Communication Concentration, Communication Major**

**Briefly describe how Information Literacy will be taught within your major program. List courses in which these skills will be embedded.**

To satisfy the Information Literacy competency for the COMM section of the Dept. of Communication Sciences AND for the University of Connecticut, all COMM students must take COMM 200Q and two (2) "core" courses (described below in more detail).

They may also choose from a list of other courses in which IL skills are embedded. The courses that will further enhance competency in Information Literacy include COMM 205, 210, 211, 215, 220, 225W, 226, 230, 232, 233, 234, 241, 242, 245, 250, 251W, 255, 260, 262, 270W, 271, 272, and 273W.

**Are all these courses required of your students? If not, how will you assure that all students attain the exit expectations for Information Literacy.**

Not all of the courses listed above are required. The following course is required:  
COMM 200Q Research Methods in Communication

Students must take at least two (2) of the following Core courses to fulfill graduation requirements:

COMM 210 Persuasion  
COMM 220 Interpersonal Communication  
COMM 230 Effects of Mass Media

The Information Literacy exit expectations will be well attained by all our students since they take three (3) courses that are imbedded with the needed competency. As part of COMM requirements at the department level, they must take several other COMM courses for necessary credits. These other courses will strengthen student experience and knowledge regarding IL.

In addition, we will be offering a course COMM 231W Media Literacy for majors. The content is particularly relevant for many aspects of information literacy. With additional resources, we would be pleased to offer more sections of the course for students in other majors.

**Date of Approval by Faculty or Appropriate Faculty Committee: 9/28/04**

**Date of Approval by School/College C&C Committee \_\_\_\_\_**

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