



1696 Bachelor of Communications
NEW Student Advising Guide
Sydney City Campus
Trimester 1 2026

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1696 Bachelor of Communication (Advertising)

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Program Structure

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Core Subjects (80 credit points)

COMM1012	Data, Communication and Power
COMM1020	Media Cultures and Industries
COMM1044	Professional Communication
COMM1045	Foundations of the Communication Industry
INFO1004	Data Analysis and Storytelling
COMM2024	Media Law and Ethics
COMM3052	Writing for our Digital Lives
COMM3053	Industry Research Project

Major – Advertising (80 credit points)

Major: Students must complete all subjects listed below (80 cp)

Level 1:	MKTG1001	Advertising: An Introduction
Level 2:	COMM2001	Account and Client Management
	MKTG2001	Advertising: Creative
	MKTG2013	Advertising Strategy
Level 3:	COMM3045	Advertising: Campaigns
	COMM3051	Advertising: Media
	COMM3054	Digital and Social Communication
	COMM3018	Internship

Elective subjects (80 credit points)

Any elective available at Sydney City Campus

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Trimester 1 2026

COMM1012	Data, Communication and Power
INFO1004	Data Analysis and Storytelling
COMM1045	Foundations of the Communication Industry

If students wish to accelerate their degree, they may enrol in the following unit as the 4th unit.

MKTG1001	Advertising: An Introduction
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Trimester 2 2026

COMM1044	Professional Communication
COMM1020	Media Cultures and Industries
Elective 1	

If students wish to accelerate their degree, they may enrol in the following unit as the 4th unit.

Elective 2	
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Trimester 3 2026

COMM2024	Media Law and Ethics
COMM2001	Account and Client Management
COMM 3053	Industry Research Project

If students wish to accelerate their degree, they may enrol in the following unit as the 4th unit.

COMM3052	Writing for Our Digital Lives
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Recommended sequences

Sequence A standard (3 units per Trimester)
for students who started their degree in Trimester 1 2026

Trimester 1 2026	COMM1012 Data, Communication and Power
Trimester 1 2026	INFO1004 Data Analysis and Storytelling
Trimester 1 2026	MKTG1001 Advertising: An Introduction
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1044 Professional Communication
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1020 Media Cultures and Industries
Trimester 2 2026	Elective 1
Trimester 3 2026	COMM1045 Foundations of the Communication Industry
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2024 Media Law and Ethics
Trimester 3 2026	Elective 2
Trimester 1 2027	COMM2001 Account and Client Management
Trimester 1 2027	MKTG2001 Advertising: Creative
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 3
Trimester 2 2027	MKTG2013 Advertising: Strategy
Trimester 2 2027	COMM3053 Industry Research Project
Trimester 2 2027	Elective 4
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3052 Writing for Our Digital Lives
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3054 Digital and Social Communication
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 5
Trimester 1 2028	COMM3051 Advertising: Media
Trimester 1 2028	Elective 6
Trimester 1 2028	Elective 7
Trimester 2 2028	COMM3045 Advertising: Campaigns
Trimester 2 2028	COMM3018 Internship
Trimester 2 2028	Elective 8

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**Sequence A Fast Track (4 units per Trimester)
for students who started their degree in Trimester 1 2026**

Trimester 1 2026	COMM1012 Data, Communication and Power
Trimester 1 2026	INFO1004 Data Analysis and Storytelling
Trimester 1 2026	COMM1045 Foundations of the Communication Industry
Trimester 1 2026	MKTG1001 Advertising: An Introduction
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1044 Professional Communication
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1020 Media Cultures and Industries
Trimester 2 2026	Elective 1
Trimester 2 2026	Elective 2
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2024 Media Law and Ethics
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2001 Account and Client Management
Trimester 3 2026	COMM3053 Industry Research Project
Trimester 3 2026	COMM3052 Writing for Our Digital Lives
Trimester 1 2027	MKTG2001 Advertising: Creative
Trimester 1 2027	COMM3051 Advertising: Media
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 3
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 4
Trimester 2 2027	MKTG2013 Advertising: Strategy
Trimester 2 2027	COMM3054 Digital and Social Communication
Trimester 2 2027	COMM3045 Advertising: Campaigns
Trimester 2 2027	Elective 5
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3018 Internship
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 6
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 7
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 8

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1696 Bachelor of Communication (Journalism)

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INFO1004	Data Analysis and Storytelling
COMM2024	Media Law and Ethics
COMM3052	Writing for our Digital Lives
COMM3053	Industry Research Project

Major – Journalism (80 credit points)

Major: Students must complete all subjects listed below (80 cp)

Level 1:	COMM1008	News and Media Today
Level 2:	COMM2017	Feature Writing
	COMM2022	Journalism: Research and Investigation
	COMM2027	News Reporting
Level 3:	COMM3025	News Teams
	COMM3055	Digital Story Production
	COMM3056	Constructive News and Solutions Journalism
	COMM3018	Internship

Elective subjects (80 credit points)

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COMM1012	Data, Communication and Power
INFO1004	Data Analysis and Storytelling
COMM1045	Foundations of the Communication Industry

If students wish to accelerate their degree, they may enrol in the following unit as the 4th unit.

COMM1018	News and Media Today
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Trimester 2 2026

COMM1044	Professional Communication
COMM1020	Media Cultures and Industries
Elective 1	

If students wish to accelerate their degree, they may enrol in the following unit as the 4th unit.

Elective 2	
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Trimester 3 2026

COMM2024	Media Law and Ethics
COMM 3053	Industry Research Project
COMM3052	Writing for Our Digital Lives

If students wish to accelerate their degree, they may enrol in the following unit as the 4th unit.

Elective 3	
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Recommended sequences

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Trimester 1 2026	INFO1004 Data Analysis and Storytelling
Trimester 1 2026	COMM1018 News and Media Today
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1044 Professional Communication
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1020 Media Cultures and Industries
Trimester 2 2026	Elective 1
Trimester 3 2026	COMM1045 Foundations of the Communication Industry
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2024 Media Law and Ethics
Trimester 3 2026	Elective 2
Trimester 1 2027	COMM2022 Journalism: Research and Investigation
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 3
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 4
Trimester 2 2027	COMM2017 Feature Writing
Trimester 2 2027	COMM2027 News Reporting
Trimester 2 2027	COMM3053 Industry Research Project
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3052 Writing for Our Digital Lives
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3025 News Teams
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 5
Trimester 1 2028	COMM3056 Constructive News and Solutions Journalism
Trimester 1 2028	Elective 6
Trimester 1 2028	Elective 7
Trimester 2 2028	COMM3055 Digital Story Production
Trimester 2 2028	COMM3018 Internship
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**Sequence A Fast Track (4 units per Trimester)
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Trimester 1 2026	COMM1045 Foundations of the Communication Industry
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Trimester 2 2026	COMM1044 Professional Communication
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1020 Media Cultures and Industries
Trimester 2 2026	Elective 1
Trimester 2 2026	Elective 2
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2024 Media Law and Ethics
Trimester 3 2026	COMM3053 Industry Research Project
Trimester 3 2026	COMM3052 Writing for Our Digital Lives
Trimester 3 2026	Elective 3
Trimester 1 2027	COMM2022 Journalism: Research and Investigation
Trimester 1 2027	COMM3056 Constructive News and Solutions Journalism
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 4
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 5
Trimester 2 2027	COMM2017 Feature Writing
Trimester 2 2027	COMM2027 News Reporting
Trimester 2 2027	COMM3055 Digital Story Production
Trimester 2 2027	Elective 6
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3025 News Teams
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3018 Internship
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 7
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COMM3053	Industry Research Project

Major – Public Relations (80 credit points)

Major: Students must complete all subjects listed below (80 cp)

Level 1:	MKTG1009	Public Relations Theory and Practice
Level 2:	COMM2001	Account and Client Management
	COMM2015	Events Management
	MKTG2012	Public Relations: Strategies and Tactics
Level 3:	MKTG3018	Public Relations: Campaigns
	MKTG3022	Issues Management and Crisis Communication
	COMM3054	Digital and Social Communication
	COMM3018	Internship

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INFO1004	Data Analysis and Storytelling
COMM1045	Foundations of the Communication Industry

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Elective 1

Trimester 2 2026

COMM1044	Professional Communication
COMM1020	Media Cultures and Industries
MKTG1009	Public Relations Theory and Practice

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Elective 2

Trimester 3 2026

COMM2024	Media Law and Ethics
COMM2001	Account and Client Management
COMM 3053	Industry Research Project

If students wish to accelerate their degree, they may enrol in the following unit as the 4th unit.

COMM3052 Writing for Our Digital Lives



Recommended sequences

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Trimester 1 2026	INFO1004 Data Analysis and Storytelling
Trimester 1 2026	COMM1045 Foundations of the Communication Industry
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1044 Professional Communication
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1020 Media Cultures and Industries
Trimester 2 2026	MKTG1009 Public Relations Theory and Practice
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2024 Media Law and Ethics
Trimester 3 2026	Elective 1
Trimester 3 2026	Elective 2
Trimester 1 2027	COMM2001 Account and Client Management
Trimester 1 2027	MKTG2012 Public Relations: Strategies and Tactics
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 3
Trimester 2 2027	COMM2015 Events Management
Trimester 2 2027	COMM3053 Industry Research Project
Trimester 2 2027	Elective 4
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3052 Writing for Our Digital Lives
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3054 Digital and Social Communication
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 5
Trimester 1 2028	MKTG3022 Issues, Risk and Crisis Communication
Trimester 1 2028	Elective 6
Trimester 1 2028	Elective 7
Trimester 2 2028	MKTG3018 Public Relations: Campaigns
Trimester 2 2028	COMM3018 Internship
Trimester 2 2028	Elective 8

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Trimester 1 2026	COMM1045 Foundations of the Communication Industry
Trimester 1 2026	Elective 1
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1044 Professional Communication
Trimester 2 2026	COMM1020 Media Cultures and Industries
Trimester 2 2026	MKTG1009 Public Relations Theory and Practice
Trimester 2 2026	Elective 2
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2024 Media Law and Ethics
Trimester 3 2026	COMM2001 Account and Client Management
Trimester 3 2026	COMM3053 Industry Research Project
Trimester 3 2026	COMM3052 Writing for Our Digital Lives
Trimester 1 2027	MKTG2012 Public Relations: Strategies and Tactics
Trimester 1 2027	MKTG3022 Issues, Risk and Crisis Communication
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 3
Trimester 1 2027	Elective 4
Trimester 2 2027	COMM2015 Events Management
Trimester 2 2027	COMM3054 Digital and Social Communication
Trimester 2 2027	MKTG3018 Public Relations: Campaigns
Trimester 2 2027	Elective 5
Trimester 3 2027	COMM3018 Internship
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 6
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 7
Trimester 3 2027	Elective 8

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