JOB OPPORTUNITIES
According to the U.S. Department of Labor, communication and media jobs are expected to increase 6 percent over the next decade. As of May 2017, the median annual wage for communication and media occupations was $56,340, more than $18,500 higher than the median annual wage for all occupations.

Many LBCC Communication Studies graduates go on to earn bachelor's degrees and launch careers in the following fields:

- BUSINESS
- EDUCATION
- MEDIA

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COMMUNICATION STUDIES

The Communication Studies Department at Long Beach City College offers the courses and hands-on learning opportunities needed to excel academically, professionally and personally. Students develop practical skills in public speaking, leadership, critical thinking and performance, as well as interpersonal, intercultural and small-group communication skills. The curriculum prepares all students to become highly effective communicators and succeed in any major or profession.

In addition to their communications expertise, faculty members of LBCC’s Communication Studies Department have backgrounds in law, business, media, performing arts and education.

The Communication Studies Department offers two-year degrees, including the Associate of Arts degree for Transfer.

The Associate of Arts for Transfer degree for Communication Studies provides a number of benefits for students planning to transfer to the California State University (CSU) system, including:

- Guaranteed admission into a CSU school as a Communication Studies major
- Students will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor’s degree

Courses include:

- Public Speaking (with Honors option)
- Interpersonal Communication
- Intercultural Communication
- Group Communication
- Leadership Communication
- Oral Interpretation
- Argumentation and Debate

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

The Communication Studies Department prepares students to meet the challenges and embrace the opportunities of a multicultural world. Courses explore how verbal communication, nonverbal communication, culture, demographics, gender, and other factors influence human interaction in both interpersonal and group contexts. Students learn to hone their critical thinking skills to become better listeners and speakers. Effective communication skills build strong relationships, the key to personal and professional success.