

# Agent and student FAQs:

## The NEW Diploma of Communication for 2026



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<b>What is changing for the Diploma of Communication at UTS College?</b>	From Trimester 1, 2026, the Diploma of Communication will be consolidated in to one stream and replaces the current Digital and Strategic Communication and Media Business streams.
<b>Why is the diploma changing?</b>	<p>The UTS Faculty of Design and Society has introduced some changes to the Bachelor of Communication and created a new Bachelor of Creative Production. There are now additional streams (majors) available for both degree articulations.</p> <p>Due to these changes, from <b>Trimester 1, 2026</b>, UTS College will be introducing a revised Diploma of Communication for new students, to align with UTS.</p>
<b>What are the benefits?</b>	The changes enable <b>UTS College students to articulate directly to the second year of their UTS bachelor's degree with the required 48 credit points</b> , and to choose one of the new UTS degree and stream options from a single stream diploma program with first-year subject that align with UTS.
<b>Which students are affected by the changes?</b>	Only new students commencing the Diploma of Communication from Trimester 1, 2026 will be undertaking the revised diploma.
<b>When is the revised diploma available?</b>	The revised diploma is available at UTS College from commencement of Trimester 1, 2026.

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<b>Why have the credit points of the Diploma of Communication decreased?</b>	The credit points for the Diploma of Communication have returned to 48 from 52, to align with the credit points required for first year of the Bachelor of Communication or Bachelor of Creative Production at UTS.
<b>I'm a current student of the Diploma of Communication. Does the change affect me?</b>	No. Current students who commenced in 2025 or prior will continue in their current diploma program and stream and will articulate to UTS with 52 credit points for their chosen degree.
<b>I'm a current student of the Diploma of Communication. Do I need to change to the revised Diploma of Communication?</b>	No, if you started the Diploma of Communication prior to Trimester 1, 2026, you won't need to change your program or stream. Your diploma at UTS College will not change, and your UTS articulation arrangement will not be affected. You will continue in your current stream and articulation option at UTS.
<b>When I apply for the Diploma of Communication to degree pathway, do I need to nominate my stream for UTS?</b>	Yes. You'll nominate your UTS bachelor and stream (major) at the application stage, so that UTS can offer you a conditional place in your degree and stream of choice. Your conditional offer to UTS will outline the credit points of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) you'll receive on successful completion of the diploma.
<b>Can I change my stream option for the UTS Bachelor of Communication or Bachelor of Creative Production after I have started my diploma? How?</b>	You may be able to change your UTS degree and stream after starting at UTS College, however you'll need to let us know. Please speak with your Student Success Adviser about your options and how they affect your study plan.
<b>As a new student commencing in Semester 1, 2026, what UTS degree articulation options will I have?</b>	<p>All new UTS College Diploma of Communication students will complete the same subjects and receive the same credit points in RPL to UTS, regardless of their chosen degree and stream articulation to UTS.</p> <p>The Diploma of Communication articulates to second year of the following UTS degrees and streams in 2027:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Communication in Digital and Social Media</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Communication in Journalism</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Communication in Public Relations and Advertising</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Communication in Social and Political Sciences</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Communication in Creative Writing</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Communication in Media Business</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Laws</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Communication /Bachelor of Laws</b> (communication majors as above)</li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Creative Production in Media Arts</b></li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Creative Production in Music and Sound Design</b></li> </ul> <p>Please note, international students may also combine the above communication or creative production degrees with a Bachelor of Creative Intelligence and Innovation.</p>

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<b>I have already accepted the Diploma of Communication for Semester 1, 2026 and have been admitted with the previous stream and subject options. Will I be withdrawn and readmitted to the new version?</b>	If you have accepted your offer and been admitted to the Diploma of Communication for Trimester 1, 2026 commencement or later, you will be withdrawn from the old program and readmitted to the new version of the course. You will not have to do anything unless you would like to change your UTS articulation option.
<b>I chose the Bachelor of Communication, Media Arts and Production major at UTS. Do I need to change my UTS degree to the Bachelor of Creative Production – Media Arts?</b>	No. You do not need to change your degree or major articulation. Your pathway will be updated to the new UTS course automatically.
<b>I have already accepted the Diploma of Communication for Semester 1, 2026 with my previous articulation option to UTS. Can I change my UTS course to one of the new options?</b>	If you wish to change your pathway option to a new degree articulation at UTS, please speak to Admissions or your education agent. You will need to be withdrawn from your current package and readmitted to the new package. You will also receive a new conditional offer from UTS for the new course.
<b>What subjects are offered in the Diploma of Communication at UTS College from 2026?</b>	For a full list of subjects offered in the Diploma of Communication, go to <a href="https://utscollege.edu.au/diploma-of-communication">utscollege.edu.au/diploma-of-communication</a>
<b>Where can I find out more?</b>	If you have questions about your program, UTS major (stream) option or articulation to UTS, please speak to your education agent, the <b>Student Centre</b> or our <b>Admissions team</b> .

