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To: Suzie Park
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From: Matthew Gill
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RE: B.S. in Health Communication

The School of Communication & Journalism is eliminating the B.S. in Health Communication effective fall 2026. Enrollment in the major has declined steadily over the past five years as students have increasingly selected degree programs that better align with their career goals and interests. In response to evolving student needs and to allocate departmental and university resources more effectively, we are discontinuing this degree option.

Health Communication classes will continue to be offered to support the Health Communication minor, and other required coursework associated with the major remains available through the School of Communication & Journalism and the Department of Public Health and Nutrition. Current Health Communication majors will be able to complete their coursework and graduate in a timely manner.