

COMMUNICATION, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.)

Advance to Candidacy: Course requirements include work in a cognate discipline and research methods. In addition students must successfully pass a comprehensive examination that certifies mastery of disciplinary knowledge and preparation for independent research

Post-candidacy: In order to advance to candidacy, students must complete and successfully defend a dissertation that advances knowledge of communication.

Requirements for Students entering with a B.A./B.S. in Communication

Course	Title	Credits
Core Requirements		
COMM700	Introduction to Graduate Study in Communication	3
	Cognate Area Outside Department	6
	Area of Specialization	15
	Select one of the following:	3
COMM602	Communication Theory	
COMM630	Seminar in Public Relations Management	
COMM652	Contemporary Rhetorical Theory	
	Select one of the following course sequences:	12
Quantitative:		
COMM701	Quantitative Methods in Communication Research	
	Select nine additional credits in quantitative methods and statistics	
Historical/Critical:		
COMM711	Historical/Critical Methods in Communication Research	
COMM712	Advanced Historical/Critical Methods in Communication Research	
	Select six additional credits in methods and foundations	
Qualitative:		
COMM714	Introduction to Qualitative Methods in Communication Research	
COMM715	Advanced Qualitative Methods in Communication Research	
	Select six additional credits in methods and foundations	
Dissertation Research Requirements		
COMM899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	12
Total Credits		51

Requirements for Students entering with a M.A. in Communication

Course	Title	Credits
Core Requirements		
	Cognate Area Outside Department	6
	Area of Specialization	9
	Select one of the following course sequences:	12
Quantitative:		
COMM701	Quantitative Methods in Communication Research	
	Select nine additional credits in quantitative methods and statistics	

Historical/Critical:		
COMM711	Historical/Critical Methods in Communication Research	
COMM712	Advanced Historical/Critical Methods in Communication Research	
	Select six additional credits in methods and foundations	
Qualitative:		
COMM714	Introduction to Qualitative Methods in Communication Research	
COMM715	Advanced Qualitative Methods in Communication Research	
	Select six additional credits in methods and foundations	
Dissertation Research Requirements		
COMM899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	12
Total Credits		39