

# 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
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
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	
<b>Dissertation Research Requirements</b>		
COMM899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	12
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>51</b>

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

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
	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	
<b>Dissertation Research Requirements</b>		
COMM899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	12
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>39</b>