Mass Communication, PhD

Requirements

The Doctor of Philosophy program in mass communication requires 72 s.h. of graduate credit. The program provides training in research methods, communication theory, and teaching skills.

The program emphasizes interdisciplinary studies, with coursework and research tailored to each student's interests under the guidance of faculty members. The school offers several areas of strength to support graduate student research in both traditional and digital media: critical/cultural studies, digital media, global media, health communication, journalism studies, and sports media.

Students in the PhD program in mass communication must complete the following curriculum.

Course #	Title	Hours
JMC:6100	Communication and Media Colloquium (taken four times for 1 s.h. each; should enroll every semester for first two years of study)	4
JMC:6200	Humanistic Approaches to Media Communication	3
JMC:6300	Social Scientific Approaches to Media Communication	3
JMC:6920	PhD Research (for guided reading)	3
JMC:6999	Dissertation (must register for at least 4 s.h.)	4
CLAS:5100	Practicum: College Teaching and Professional Development for Teaching Assistants	1
Additional professionalization courses		3
Methods area courses		3
Theory area courses		3
Electives		15
Credit from master's degree and/or additional PhD courses		30

For a more detailed description of the PhD program, contact the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.