

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN URBAN STUDIES AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS
COMMUNICATION CURRICULUM PLAN**

The PhD program consists of 66 credit hours broken down into the following areas: prerequisites, core courses, specialization area, electives, a comprehensive exam, and dissertation research.

PREREQUISITES

	<u>Date Taken/Scheduled</u>	<u>Grade</u>
UST 601: Applied Quantitative Reasoning I – <i>prior to UST 803</i>	_____	_____
UST 602: Applied Quantitative Reasoning II OR		
COM 512: Communication Research Methods – <i>prior to UST 806</i>	_____	_____
UST 603: Public Finance & Economics – <i>prior to UST 605</i>	_____	_____
UST 605: Urban Spatial Structures	_____	_____
UST 616: Systems & Processes of Policy Development OR		
PSC 636: Policy Development & Evaluation	_____	_____
COM 630: Mass Communication Theory – <i>prior to all COM courses</i>	_____	_____

CORE (16 credit hours)

UST 800: Urban Theory	_____	_____
UST 802: Frameworks of Inquiry	_____	_____
UST 803: Quantitative Research Methods	_____	_____
UST 806: Urban Research Methods	_____	_____

SPECIALIZATION (20 credit hours) - bold indicates required courses

COM 650: Urban Communication	_____	_____
COM 660: Strategic Communication	_____	_____
COM 610: Organizational Communication Theory	_____	_____
COM 642: Technology & Mediated Communication	_____	_____
COM 641: Political Communication	_____	_____
COM 630: Mass Communication Theory	_____	_____
COM 640: Persuasion Communication & Campaigns	_____	_____
COM 620: Interpersonal Communication Theory	_____	_____
COM 670: Intercultural Communication & Negotiation	_____	_____

COMMUNICATION METHODS AND ELECTIVES (12 credit hours)

Two courses from this list:

COM 631: Multivariate Statistical Methods	_____	_____
COM 632: Audience/Media Research Methods	_____	_____
COM 633: Content Analysis	_____	_____
COM 634: Ethnographic/Qualitative Methods	_____	_____
COM 635: Participant Observation/Interviewing Methods	_____	_____

Plus one of the following courses:

COM 595: Seminar in Communication	_____	_____
COM 543: Theory Building	_____	_____
Any above listed communication course or other social science course	_____	_____

COMPREHENSIVE EXAM

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RESEARCH & DISSERTATION (18 credit hour minimum)

UST 895: Doctoral Research	_____	_____
UST 896: Dissertation Prospectus	_____	_____
UST 899: Dissertation	_____	_____