

Ph.D. Program Coursework Checklist (Effective Fall 2025)

REQUIREMENT	COURSE	SEMESTER
Required Core 6 credits <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> COM 604 (Theory Construction in Communication, 3 cr.) and choose one of the following methods: <input type="checkbox"/> COM 607 (Contemporary Rhetorical Methods, 3 cr.) <input type="checkbox"/> COM 608 (Multivariate Statistical Analysis of Data in Communication, 3 cr.) <input type="checkbox"/> COM 609 (Advanced Qualitative Research Methods, 3 cr.)	
Other Requirements (COM 691 Seminars*) 24 credits <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____	
Electives 18 credits <input type="checkbox"/>	[3 credits must be methodology, and 6 credits must be outside of communication] <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____	
Research (COM 792) 6 credits <input type="checkbox"/>	[6 credits of COM 792, including 2 cr. Apprenticeship & 1 cr. Prof. Dev. Forum] <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Apprenticeship (2 cr.)</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Professional Development Forum (1 cr.)</u> <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____	
Culminating Experience (COM 799 Dissertation) 12 credits <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____	

NOTES: *Three 1-cr. COM 692 modules may count as one 3-cr. COM 691 seminar (only once).
Total of 96 credits are required for Ph.D. degree (66 credits beyond the master's degree).
Students who enter w/completed master's degree will "blanket" count 30 credits of Electives on the iPOS.
Maximum 15 credits at 500-level, but NO 400-level allowed.