



**SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION**  
**PHD DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Complete a minimum of 81 graduate credits, including 6 credits for the dissertation

**1. 20 credit hours required core**

***1 credit hour in Intro to Graduate Studies***

COMM 6500 Introduction to Graduate Studies (1)

***1 credit hour in Directed Research***

COMM 7998 Directed Research (1)

***9 credits in Communication Theory:***

COMM 6806 Contemporary Theories in Communication (3)

COMM 6807 Foundations of Communication Theory (3)

COMM 7927 Theory Construction (3)

***9 credits in Research Methods for Communication:***

COMM 6661 Statistical Applications in Communication (3)

COMM 6760 Communication Research Methods (3)

COMM 7790 Statistical Applications in Communication II (3)

**2. At least 51 credit hours of graduate level electives** (minimum 50% from within the School of Communication including at least 15 credits of formal communication elective classes)

**3. 4 semesters of Communication Colloquium**

**4. 6 credits of Dissertation** (maximum of 3 credits per semester)