

CORE COURSES (12 hours)

	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
COMS 520 Communication Praxis	3	_____	_____
COMS 552 Leadership Communication	3	_____	_____
COMS 612 Rhetorical Theory & Criticism	3	_____	_____
COMS 680 Communication Research	3	_____	_____

COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES COURSES (9 hours)

Choose three courses from the following:

COMS 522 Interpersonal Communication in the Marketplace	3	_____	_____
COMS 524 Problem Solving & Collaborative Communication	3	_____	_____
COMS 554 Persuasive Reasoning	3	_____	_____
COMS 560 Conflict Analysis & Resolution	3	_____	_____

COMMUNICATION CONTEXTUAL COURSES (9 hours)

Choose three courses from the following:

COMS 542 Communication in Nonprofit & Christian Ministry	3	_____	_____
COMS 550 Creativity in Teaching Communication	3	_____	_____
COMS 624 International & Intercultural Communication	3	_____	_____
COMS 630 Professional Communication & Nonprofit Development	3	_____	_____
COMS 640 Event Planning & Donor Relations	3	_____	_____

ELECTIVE COURSE (3 hours)

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CULMINATING EXPERIENCE COURSE (3 hours)

Choose one of the following courses:

COMS 670 Comprehensive Examination	3	_____	_____
COMS 690 Thesis Defense ^{2, 3, 4}	3	_____	_____

TOTAL HOURS 36

Graduation Requirements

Complete 36 hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)

No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
Degree must be completed within 5 years

All Resident students are required to enroll in and pass GRST 500 in their first semester

All Online students admitted on Academic Caution are required to enroll in and pass GRST 500 in their first semester

Submission of Graduation Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

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Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Choose one of the following courses: COMS 524, 542, 550, 558, 560, 622, 624, 695, 697, 699 or any 500-600 level STCO course

²Successful completion of COMS 680 is a prerequisite for COMS 690

³Students must receive special permission from the Director of Graduate Studies to complete a Thesis

⁴Any student who is not ready for enrollment in COMS 690 after completing COMS 680 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to take COMS 689 Thesis Proposal and Research, and may be required to repeat COMS 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in COMS 690

Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

<u>First Semester</u>		<u>Second Semester</u>	
COMS 520	3	COMS 612	3
COMS 552	3	COMS 680	3
COMS Strategies Elective ¹	<u>3</u>	Elective ²	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

<u>Third Semester</u>		<u>Fourth Semester</u>	
COMS Strategies Elective ¹	3	COMS Strategies Elective ¹	3
Contextual Elective ³	3	Contextual Elective ³	3
Contextual Elective ³	<u>3</u>	COMS 670 or 690 ⁴	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Notes

¹Choose one course from the following: COMS 522, 524, 554 or 560

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³Choose one course from the following: COMS 542, 550, 624, 630 or 640

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