

## **Doctor of Philosophy in Communication (Ph.D.)**

2021-2022 Degree Completion Plan

#### **ADVANCED CORE COURSES (18 hours)** Hrs Grade Sem Digital & Strategic Communication Orientation I<sup>1</sup> **DIGI 700** 3 Digital & Strategic Communication Orientation II 3 **DIGI 705 DIGI 715 Advanced Communication Theory** 3 **DIGI 825** Seminar: From Digital Analytics to Comm. Action 3 **DIGI 835 Current Topics in Content Communication** 3 **DIGI 845** Visualization & Social Media Strategy 3 **RESEARCH COURSES (15 hours) BUSI 815 Qualitative Research Methods** 3 **DIGI 710** 3 Digital & Strategic Comm. Audience Measurement **DIGI 720** Social, Mobile & Online Media Analytics 3 **DIGI 760** Mixed Methods Research 3 **DIGI 880** Research Concepts 3 PROFESSIONAL APPLICATION COURSES (12 hours) **COMS 640 Event Planning & Donor Relations** 3 **STCO 546** Effective Social Media 3 **STCO 638** Video Storytelling 3 **STCO 658** Strategic Communication Campaigns for the Digital Age 3 **DISSERTATION AND PRACTICUM COURSES (15 hours) COMS 987** Dissertation I 5 **COMS 988** Dissertation II 5 Dissertation III **COMS 989** 5

### **Graduation Requirements**

Complete 60 hours

**COMS 990** 

A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level 3.0 GPA

Dissertation Defense

No grades lower than B- may be applied to the degree Degree must be completed within seven years

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

#### Offered in Online Format

#### Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

**TOTAL HOURS** 

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60

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# SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester DIGI 700 <sup>1</sup> DIGI 705 DIGI 710	Total	3 3 3 9	Second Semester COMS 640 DIGI 715 DIGI 760 STCO 546	Total	3 3 3 3 12
Third Semester BUSI 815 DIGI 720 DIGI 845 STCO 638		3 3 3 3	Fourth Semester DIGI 825 DIGI 835 DIGI 880 STCO 658		3 3 3 3
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Fifth Semester			Sixth Semester		
COMS 987	Total	<u>5</u> 5	COMS 988	Total	<u>5</u> 5
Seventh Semester			Eighth Semester		
COMS 989	Total	<u>5</u> 5	COMS 990	Total	<u>0</u> 0

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