

Communication and Information Sciences Ph.D. Program  
Curriculum Map, Fall 2009

Note: The CIS program is a flexible interdisciplinary program. Only three courses are offered by the program itself, and most basic objectives are met via courses selected from approximately 32 courses offered by four other departments and programs. Ultimate objectives are met by the dissertation. Therefore a traditional curriculum map is not possible. This is our attempt to map the program objectives to the curriculum map format using our major program elements. Objective (E), writing and defending a dissertation, is not included because it is one means of achieving objective (D).

Objectives:

- (A) Obtain comprehensive mastery of the methods and substance in the field of Communication and Information Sciences.
- (B) Develop the ability to productively synthesize diverse data, theories, and methods.
- (C) Demonstrate the ability to conduct research.
- (D) Propose and conduct original research in his or her area.

Key: I=Introduced, R=Reinforced, M=Mastered, A=Assessed

Program Element	Program Outcome			
	A	B	C	D
CIS 701: Communication/Information Theories	IR	IR		
CIS 702: Communication/Information Technologies	IR			
CIS 703: Communication/Information Research Methods	IR	IR		
CIS 720: Interdisciplinary Seminar in CIS	IR	IR	IR	IR
Coursework to prepare for secondary exams	IRMA			
Coursework to prepare for primary exam	IRMA	IRMA		
Secondary Exams (2)	A	A		
Primary Exam	A	A	A	
Faculty Mentoring Program			IR	IR
Research Publication Requirement			MA	IRA
Dissertation Proposal (including defense)			RMA	IRA
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