

A photograph of the main building of Kansas State University, a large stone structure with a prominent central tower and multiple gables. The sun is setting behind the building, creating a dramatic sky with clouds. The foreground shows a green lawn and some trees.

Kansas State University

Leadership Communication

DOCTORAL PROGRAM

The Leadership Communication doctoral program is an interdisciplinary research degree grounded in community-engaged scholarship, rooted in theories and methods of leadership, communication, and other areas of inquiry related to collaborative change. Through the study and practice of leading change, students will produce original research that contributes to making progress on the most difficult challenges of our times.

CORE COURSES *(18 TOTAL CREDIT HOURS)*

- **AGCOM/COMM/LEAD 814: Graduate Studies in Leadership Communication**
- **AGCOM/COMM/LEAD 815: Seminar in Leadership Communication**
- **LEAD 820: Contemporary Perspectives on Leadership Theory and Practice**
- **AGCOM/COMM/LEAD 845: Approaches to Public/Community Engagement**
- **AGCOM/COMM 916: Communication Theories and Engagement**
- **AGCOM/COMM/LEAD 945: Social Science Research for Public Problem Solving**

RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES

Students select at least 12 credit hours based in research methodologies.
Course list available online.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete an additional 30 credit hours, including a minimum of 15 credit hours from dissertation research, and the remaining 15 credit hours from either elective coursework or more dissertation research hours.



Students in this program will...

- Demonstrate mastery of theories of community engagement, communication, and leadership
- Partner with communities in a collaborative effort to establish objectives related to community needs
- Make measurable progress on established objectives through community-engaged scholarship
- Demonstrate mastery of research methods, analyses, interpretation, and dissemination

- K-State's Department of Communications and Agricultural Education
- Mary Lynn and Warren Staley School of Leadership
- A.Q. Miller School of Media and Communication