Programme Objectives

Holistic Learning Experience

• More than learning to solve a problem, contribute to knowledge about human nature
• Foster independence and initiative
• Foster collaboration with faculty and other students
• Learn about inter-related fields through seminar presentations
• Hone communication skills in writing and presentations
Programme Objectives

Upon successful completion of the programme, you will be able to:

• Make significant contributions to the body of knowledge in your chosen field
• Conduct empirical research and think analytically
• Be confident to lead a research team and think strategically
• Apply critical thinking to various fields besides your chosen one
• Communicate effectively – both orally and in written form
Programme Structure – Candidature Period
Doctor of Philosophy

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Programme Structure – Candidature Period
Master of Communication Studies (Research)

**Full-Time Status**
- Minimum: 1 academic year
- Maximum: 3 academic years

**Part-Time Status**
- Minimum: 1 academic year
- Maximum: 4 academic years
PhD Programme Structure - Two Areas of Research

Information Studies

- Human computer interaction, games and gamification, information retrieval and analytics, social media, mobile and ubiquitous computing, information behavior, information literacy, knowledge organization, knowledge management applications and practices

Communication Studies

- Health communication and information, marketing communication and public relations, media arts and cultural studies, computer-mediated communication, journalism, international/intercultural communication, communication law and policy
## Programme Structure

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PhD Coursework Requirement

8 Courses
• 1 Core Course
• 1 Disciplinary Course
• 1 Method Course
• 1 Additional Method Course
• 2 Doctoral WKWSCI Elective Courses
• 2 Cognate Courses from other graduate programmes

The first 6 courses must be completed before the confirmation exam (by end of 3rd semester)
Master Coursework Requirement

4 Courses
- 1 Core Course
- 1 Disciplinary Course
- 1 Method Course
- 1 Elective Course

The first 3 courses must be completed before the confirmation exam (by end of 2nd semester)
Admission Requirements - PhD

- Good Master degree with academic grades of B+ and above or CGPA of 4.25/5.00 and above

- Bachelor's degree with Minimum Honours (Distinction) and CGPA of 4.24/5.00 and above

- Ability to pursue research in the proposed field of advance study

- In addition, international students from Universities whose medium of teaching is not in English, you must meet the English Language Proficiency Requirement (ELPR) of having at least an IELTS (academic) score of 7.0.
Admission Requirements - Master

• Bachelor's degree with Honours (Distinction) and CGPA of 4.24/5.00 and above

• Ability to pursue research in the proposed field of advance study

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Student Activities

Summer Programme Possibilities
- July 2019 (Application opens in April to May 2019)
- Quantitative Methods of Social Sciences, Social Science and Data Analysis
- University of Michigan, University of Essex
- Sponsorship from school, competitive basis

Annual PhD Symposium
- November 2018 (Yonsei University - Korea)
- Deadline for submission of papers (exact date to be confirmed by host university)
- Competitive selection

Student Activities
- Activities organised by students and/or graduate programme office
- Previous: moon cake festival, mid-semester dialogue, research open house and other publicity roadshows/events, end of semester gathering, mid-semester gathering
- Take initiative to organise for all PhD students
- Possible funding from the programme
## How to apply

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- Apply online via NTU admission website