

DISABILITY STUDIES, M.A.

Degree Requirements

All students in the Disability Studies Program are required to complete 24 credit hours of coursework plus a thesis.

All Students

Course	Title	Hours
DS 7010	Disability Studies	6
DS 7020	History of Disability	3
DS 7030	Evaluation and Application of Research Methods in Disability Studies	3
DS 7040	Selected Topics in Disability Studies	3
Total Hours		15

M.A. Students

Course	Title	Hours
	Select one external 3 credit hour research methods course	3
	Select two 3 credit hour elective courses in the arts and social sciences area, above the 4000 level	6

Expected time to graduate: 2 years

Progression Chart

Course	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
DS 7010	Disability Studies	6
DS 7020	History of Disability	3
DS 7030	Evaluation and Application of Research Methods in Disability Studies	3
DS 7040	Selected Topics in Disability Studies	3
Electives		
	Select two electives in the arts and social sciences area above the 4000 level	6
External Research Methods Course		
	Select one 3 credit hour external research methods course in the arts and social sciences area above the 4000 level	3
Thesis		
GRAD 7000	Master's Thesis ^{1,2}	0
Total Hours		24

¹ Students must demonstrate their mastery of the field and that they are fully conversant with the relevant literature through their thesis/practicum.

² Each student is required to develop a written thesis proposal under the mentorship of his or her Advisor and Advisory Committee. The student's Advisor will give tentative approval of the proposal for presentation to the Advisory Committee. The student must present the proposal orally to the Committee in a closed meeting. At least two weeks prior to the date of the oral presentation, the student will ensure that all members of the Advisory Committee receive the proposal. The Advisory Committee must formally approve the thesis proposal before the student can proceed with the research. Revisions requested by the advisory committee must be completed in a timely manner and be approved by the advisory committee. Research involving human participants or animal subjects requires ethics approval prior to initiation of research.

Graduate Focus in Disability Studies

The requirements for the Graduate Focus in Disability Studies are

DS 7020 and one of DS 7010 or DS 7030.