



UP Open University • Faculty of Information and Communication Studies **DOCTOR OF COMMUNICATION**

The Doctor of Communication (DComm) Program is a professional doctorate offered by the Faculty of Information and Communication Studies of the UP Open University. It is designed to strengthen the capability of practitioners by bringing the academic rigors of research, critical analysis, intellectual advancement, and science skills into the profession of communication as it is practiced in knowledge industries such as the academe, R&D institutions, government and development-assistance agencies.

Program Goals

The program aims to:

- Strengthen critical thinking skills in the professional practice of communication;
- Use research-based information and knowledge to enhance intellectual, managerial, and decision-making skills in communication;
- Enhance abilities to generate new practical knowledge and skills in the professional practice of communication;
- Strengthen ability to conceptualize, prepare, and present technical papers in professional communication conferences or publish in refereed journals;
- Strengthen intellectual skills and capacity to undertake independent studies and synthesis of best professional practices in the field of communication.

Mode of Instruction

All courses are taught online following the principles of guided independent study and collaborative inquiry.

Admission Procedures

Step 1: Apply for admission and upload the admission requirements through the Online Application System. Monitor the progress of your application through the OAS.



Step 2: As soon as the online application is accomplished, mail the complete and valid admission documents to the address below:



The Admission Section
Office of the University Registrar
UP Open University
Los Baños, Laguna 4031
Philippines

Refer to the UPOU Academic Calendar for the deadline for submission of application documents.

Step 3: If required, take the admission exam. The details of and instructions for taking the exam will be emailed by admissions.



Step 4: Complete the DE Readiness Module (DERM). The link to the DERM will be emailed by admissions.



Step 5: Wait for an email from the OUR for the admission results. Results of the evaluation will be released after the evaluation of the respective Admissions Committee and before the registration/enrollment period of the applied term.

