Social Data Analytics Doctoral Minor

Requirements listed here are in addition to requirements for minors in Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-600 Research Degree Policies (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/) and GCAC-700 Professional Degree Policies (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/).

Doctoral students may take a doctoral minor in Social Data Analytics. This is the appropriate option for doctoral students in programs that have not adopted the dual-title Ph.D. degree in Social Data Analytics, and for students otherwise pursuing an incompatible degree program, such as another dual-title.

As with all graduate minors, a student seeking a minor must have the approval of the student's major program of study, the Social Data Analytics program, and the Graduate School, and official requests to add a minor to a doctoral student’s academic record must be submitted to Graduate Enrollment Services prior to establishing the Ph.D. committee and prior to scheduling the comprehensive examination. At least one Graduate Faculty member from Social Data Analytics must serve on the student's Ph.D. committee.

The doctoral minor in Social Data Analytics requires at least 15 credits in approved courses, with at least 6 at the 500 level, and a minimum of 9 elective credits from a list of approved electives maintained by the Social Data Analytics program. Additional deviations from distribution minimums and maximums may be allowed, but must be approved by the Social Data Analytics program.