

LIFE SCIENCES COMMUNICATION, DOCTORAL MINOR

The Life Sciences Communication Doctoral Minor is being renamed Science Communication Doctoral Minor. Students will be able to earn a Life Sciences Communication Doctoral Minor through the end of Summer 2027. Beginning in Fall 2027, the program awarded will be the Doctoral Minor in Science Communication.

The Department of Life Sciences Communication is a world leader in science communication research, education, and practice. The doctoral minor in Life Sciences Communication allows students enrolled in doctoral programs from the biological and physical sciences, as well as interested students from other social science and humanities departments, to supplement their existing doctoral coursework with a transcriptable minor in Life Sciences Communication.

A doctoral minor in Life Sciences Communication is particularly valuable for graduate students in the natural and physical sciences who are interested in the ethical, legal, and social implications of emerging technologies, or who want to build an intellectual foundation for a future career in policy or various mission agencies (e.g., AAAS policy fellowships) dealing with public understanding and communication of science. Many students from these fields routinely take classes in our department, and a doctoral minor allows them to get formal recognition for their doctoral-level work in this area.

More information may be found on the department website (<https://lsc.wisc.edu/>).