

LOW-RESIDENCY DOCTORAL DEGREE

# Humanities and Technology



## Explore the Complex Relationship Between Humans and Technology

Salve Regina University's Ph.D. program in humanities and technology examines the question, "What does it mean to be human in an age of advanced technology?"

Inaugurated in 1989, the program offers rigorous training in the core humanities and opportunities to conduct research that transcends traditional academic disciplinary boundaries.

The doctoral program's unique focus, combined with the diverse composition of its student population and flexible hybrid format, make it an exceptional laboratory for philosophical innovation.

Scholars from a variety of humanities- and science-based fields guide Ph.D. students on an interdisciplinary journey that nurtures inquiry into the relationship between the humanities and technology. Students complete foundational coursework online and during four week-long residencies on our oceanside campus in Newport, Rhode Island. Then, they prepare for their comprehensive exams and begin the dissertation process.

## Career Paths in Humanities

Our program expands your ability to think critically, pursue research outside of academic disciplines and elevate your writing skills. The low-residency format enables working students to continue their careers alongside their program. Depending on your background, you can leverage your degree in a variety of career paths, including:

- Academic lecturer or professor
- Nonprofit communications
- Policy analyst
- Researcher
- Technology roles focused on ethics
- Writer



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### DEGREE TYPE

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)



### PROGRAM FORMAT

Online / low-residency  
16 courses (48 credits)



### AVERAGE TIME TO COMPLETE

4 years



### APPLICATION DEADLINE

July 1 for fall  
Nov. 1 for spring

*Scan for more  
information, including  
course requirements  
and how to apply.*





**Dr. Troy Catterson**

*Associate professor and graduate program director*

“Voltaire once said, ‘If God has created us in his image, then we have returned him the favor.’ We humans are now on the cusp of creating machines in our image. The only question that remains is whether they will return us the same favor.”

## THE SALVE DIFFERENCE

### ADVANCE ON YOUR TERMS

Salve Regina’s low-residency format honors the demands on your time. Our innovative hybrid model combines online, asynchronous coursework with weeklong campus residencies. This cohort-based program connects students with their peers and provides a launchpad for interdisciplinary research.

### ADDRESS COMPELLING ISSUES

Ideal for students seeking personal and professional advancement, Salve Regina’s Ph.D. program prepares graduates to make high-level policy decisions that directly engage the rapid advancement of technology and its ethical implications in government, the military, academia or business.

### WIDE-RANGING APPLICATIONS

Our Ph.D. program places the humanities in dialogue with the latest advances in science and technology. Representing nearly every liberal arts discipline, our faculty transcend traditional academic boundaries to embrace the program’s focal question: “What does it mean to be human in an age of technology?”

### Nicholas Molinari '20 (Ph.D.)

*Academic librarian and author*

“Even though I’m 80 miles from Newport, the hybrid format of Salve Regina’s low-residency program allowed me to contribute to the discussions of the various readings and hear the insights from my peers about these readings, better than any other learning format I’ve participated in - from traditional to fully online, seminar to lecture to lab. It’s been extremely rewarding.”



### Taten Shirley '22 (Ph.D.)

*Associate professor, Faulkner University*

“Salve’s integration of research with more comprehensive human condition disciplines helped prepare me for my job. A lot of the skills I developed were around the ability to advocate for humanities as a discipline. I enjoyed readings that were focused on why the sciences need humanities, as well as why we need to look at the philosophical and humanities lenses when considering technology.”



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