Communication Studies, M.A.

Requirements

The Master of Arts program in communication studies requires a minimum of 30 s.h. of graduate credit. It may be granted to students working toward the Doctor of Philosophy; it also may be granted as a terminal degree for doctoral students who decide not to complete the Ph.D. Graduate education in communication studies focuses on Ph.D. study.

All master's students take COMM:5200 Introduction to Research and Teaching (2 s.h.) and at least two courses numbered 5000 or above. They also prepare a graduate seminar paper that involves significant original research.

Admission

Applicants to graduate programs in communication studies must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate College; see the Manual of Rules and Regulations of the Graduate College.

Career Advancement

Communication studies graduates have numerous career options. The major provides solid preparation for employment in almost any job that requires effective critical thinking and communication skills. Graduates find work in fields such as the arts, entertainment, and media industries; consulting; sales and marketing; human resources; and public advocacy.

The Pomerantz Career Center offers multiple resources to help students find internships and jobs.