

Join the Graduate Program in the Department of Communication Studies at the University of Texas at Austin!

We are now accepting applications for M.A. and Ph.D. programs. We offer three areas of concentration: Interpersonal, Organizational Communication and Technology, and Rhetoric and Language. In addition, we have strong specialties in health communication and political communication. The application deadline for fall 2018 enrollment and consideration for up to four years of funding is **December 1, 2017.**

Our graduate program enrolls almost 100 students in both master's and doctoral degrees and our student community boasts representation from many parts of the nation and world. Graduate students work closely with faculty advisors and fellow student scholars to develop their research and teaching skills in a collaborative environment.

We seek to recruit students passionate about research, interested in working on faculty grants, and deeply curious about communication theory and application. Current and recent graduate students have published single and co-authored publications, received awards at national and international conferences, and been honored for their undergraduate teaching. Graduates of the program go on to success at research universities, teaching colleges, and industries where academic expertise is valued.

The University of Texas at Austin Difference

RESEARCH CENTERS AND INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSEWORK

Housed in the Moody College of Communication, our students enjoy access to multiple research centers and labs, including the:

- Annette Strauss Institute for Civic Life
- Center for Health Communication
- Center for Media Engagement
- Center for Sports Communication & Media

Students also have opportunities to take elective courses with nationally recognized faculty in the School of Journalism, the Stan Richards School of Advertising & Public Relations, and the Department of Radio Television and Film as well as other top programs outside of the Moody College.

OUR FACULTY

Our faculty are committed to research and teaching. They include Distinguished Scholars of the National Communication Association and Fellows of the International Communication Association, Editors and Editorial Board Members of Journals, Chairs of Divisions in NCA and ICA, and recipients of monograph and book awards from multiple scholarly organizations. Recent grant projects have been funded by the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Department of Education, Children's Advocacy Centers of Texas, Google, Facebook, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, the Knight Foundation, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and the Democracy Fund among others. Faculty have also received multiple accolades for graduate and undergraduate instruction.

LOCATION

Routinely ranked as a top 20 public university, The University of Texas at Austin is comprised of more than 51,000 students and 3,000 teaching faculty. We are located just blocks from the Texas state Capitol in the 11th largest city in the country. Austin is home to a thriving technology sector, regularly regarded one of the top places to live in the United States, and dubbed "The Live Music Capital" of the world.

For more information on the program, faculty, and requirements please visit our website (<https://commstudies.utexas.edu/graduate>) or contact our Graduate Program Coordinator, Aida González aida.gonzalez@austin.utexas.edu, 512-471-1942.

The Graduate Community at the University of Texas at Austin

Our graduate student community values an environment of camaraderie and respect. We maintain a “Comm Family” where a supportive, collegial environment is the expectation, not the exception.

What our current graduate students say:

Many Ph.D. programs are cut-throat competitive and decentralized. From day 1 at UT, I felt like part of a family and had incredible emotional and tangible support... 365 days a year!

Longhorns are the BIGGEST, BEST, SMARTEST, STRONGEST teachers, scholars, and peers in the country.

My advisor recognized my strengths and helped coach me based on my goals - not his - and also pushed me when I needed it most.

The department gives you all the tools you need for success, you just have to pick them up and use them accordingly!

Faculty and staff are inspiring, incredibly supportive, and very cool. No question is unwelcome!

This is your COMM family. When we have each other, we have everything.



My advisor wants me to be the best me I can be and doesn't compare me to others.

People are real here--they are both kind and professional.

My advisor and other faculty are people I would choose to have as personal mentors, in addition to professional mentors.

Among the grad students, we support one another rather than competing. We laugh together.



Three stand-outs in our program are the faculty mentors, graduate resources, and the graduate student community. I feel supported to realize my fullest potential in this department, and I am driven to carry out meaningful research and make strong connections with my peers. Not only do I feel a sense of pride because of the caliber of work emerging from UT, but also knowing that our program aims to cultivate a welcoming team environment.

My advisor embraces my work as 'different' and encourages me to forge my own path.

The department has been a source of support for me during times of personal difficulty (and when things are great, too!).



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