

Master of Arts in Communication Studies, option in Communication

Communication Studies/MA program
California State University, Los Angeles
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Offers

Advanced learning in communications which may emphasize:

Rhetoric and communication theoryIntercultural environments
Business and corporate settings**Culture and performance studies
Task and social groups**Family and personal relationships**

Admission to the Program

In addition to general university requirements for admission to graduate study, applicants must have a 3.0 grade point average in the last 90 quarter (60 semester) units of their undergraduate work. The department also asks for a writing sample, statement of purpose, copies of transcripts and two letters of recommendation to be sent directly to Communication Studies (separate from the university application materials) for assessment purposes. Call Department Office for deadline dates.

Prerequisite to attaining classified status are at least 30 units of undergraduate work in communication and related fields, of which a minimum 20 units must be (speech) communication courses. A formal conference with an adviser is required to design a master's degree program suited to individual interests and goals.

Faculty

Bryant Alexander	Pedagogical studies, performance studies, cultural studies
Mohammad Auwal	Organizational and development communication, communication theory
Kevin Baaske	Debate and forensics, argumentation, rhetorical theory and criticism
Chunsheng Bai	Quantitative methods, intercultural and interpersonal communication
Beryl Bellman	Intercultural and organizational communication, communication and technology, applied communication and consulting
Lena Chao	Interpersonal and intercultural communication, public relations
David Olsen	Rhetorical theory and criticism, public address, performance studies

Requirements for the Degree (45 units minimum)

500-level SEMINARS

Required Core (16 units): COMS 500, 550, 580, 554

Graduate Seminars (16 units): Choose from COMS 530, 540, 555, 560, 562, 567, 572, 573, 576, 589, 595, 598

ELECTIVES (7-13 units): Select 400 or 500-level courses.

A maximum of 8 units may be in related fields, with adviser approval

COMPREHENSIVE Exam (0 units) *or* **THESIS** (4-6 units)