

Senior Thesis Program

The Senior Thesis Program in Communication Studies, formerly known as the “Senior Honors Program” has been expanded and renamed to accommodate all Communication Studies majors regardless of their GPA. The (newly named) Senior Thesis Program offers an opportunity for students with strong academic records and a desire to pursue individual scholarly research to write a senior thesis during their Senior year.

Students accepted into the Senior Thesis Program take a year-long seminar during their Senior year (Communication Studies 491/492 OR 451/452) while conducting research and writing a thesis. COMM 451/491 will fulfill the Senior Capstone requirement and COMM 452/492 will fulfill the COMM ULWR requirement for the major. Upon completion of the Senior Thesis Program, students who meet the GPA requirements will receive an Honors distinction.

Why should you consider the Communication Studies Senior thesis program?

- Opportunity to conduct in-depth research in a mass media or emerging media topic
- Small group, intensive study with like-minded peers
- Individual mentoring from leading research faculty
- High level writing and research experience
- Excellent preparation for graduate school

Program Requirements:

- Completion of the LSA Quantitative Reasoning (QR) requirement.
- Demonstrated serious interest in scholarly research.
- Ability to work independently in conducting high-quality research and in preparing a senior thesis.
- Declared Communication Studies Major.

What to do if you are interested:

Interested students who meet above requirements should submit an online application between March 1- March 15 of Junior year. If you are accepted into the program you will be contacted with permission to register for the appropriate course (COMM 451 OR COMM 491) for Fall of your Senior year.

For additional information, schedule an Advising appointment to meet with an advisor [HERE](#).

Link: <https://lsa.umich.edu/comm/undergraduates/about-comm-studies-advising.html>