
Senior Thesis Program

The honors program in Communication and Media offers a special opportunity for students with strong academic records and a desire to pursue individual scholarly research. Students admitted into the senior thesis program design and conduct an individual research project and write an honors thesis during their senior year.

Students accepted for the honors program take a year-long seminar during the senior year (Communication and Media 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 of the major or can count toward the additional advanced COMM credit requirement if ULWR or Capstone is met. Upon completion of the senior theses program, students who meet the GPA requirements will receive an Honors distinction.

Why should you consider the Communication and Media 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 and Media 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 a General Advising appointment to meet with an advisor.

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