Communication studies students are skilled researchers, writers, speakers, problem-solvers, and leaders. The faculty and staff in the Department of Communication Studies are experts at helping students understand the vital connections between research and teaching inside and outside the classroom. Our faculty members are active in national and international associations, publish their research in books, professional and academic journals, create podcasts, write blogs as well as win numerous awards for teaching excellence.

Our international reputation comes from several collaborative research projects, faculty and student exchanges, and faculty visiting scholar appointments at Russian universities including Moscow State University, Pyatigorsk State Linguistic University, and The Cultural Institute of St. Petersburg, Russia. We also have collaborative relationships with the University of Amsterdam, Netherlands; Oxford University, England; Cambridge University, England; University of Siena, Italy; and the University of Florence, Italy.

Facilities
The department is located in Centennial Hall which offers outstanding resources including faculty offices, several graduate assistant office suites, computer labs conference rooms, classrooms equipped with comprehensive instructional technologies and a state of the art teaching theater. The department also has a newly renovated research lab which includes computer technology and data collection tools.

Financial Assistance
Graduate Assistantships offered at competitive stipends with waiver of out-of-state tuition are available to qualified applicants. Assistantship responsibilities include teaching communication fundamentals, serving as assistant director of forensics, or assisting faculty with research. Most assistantships are assigned in March for the fall term, but assistantships may be available for students who wish to begin the graduate program in the spring or summer.

The department offers limited scholarships for currently enrolled students. Also, the College of Fine Arts and Communication and The Graduate College provide a variety of scholarships for new and returning graduate students. See the various web sites for details.

Master of Arts (M.A.)
• Major in Communication Studies (Non-thesis Option) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/fine-arts-communication/studies/commstudies-nonthesis-nominor-ma/)
• Major in Communication Studies (Thesis Option) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/fine-arts-communication/studies/commstudies-thesis-nonminor-ma/)

Minor
• Communication Studies (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/fine-arts-communication/studies/minor/)

Certificate Program
• Corporate Communication and Training (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/fine-arts-communication/studies/corporate-training-certificate/)