



# College of Communications Graduate Newsletter

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## ***DIRECTOR'S CORNER***

There have been quite a few changes in the Graduate Program in the last few years. I won't list them here, but one change with which I am particularly pleased is the improved communication among students and faculty within the Graduate Program. Some of this can be attributed to improved technology such as electronic mail and computer software that makes it much easier to crank out memos and newsletters and even notices for the bulletin board. But the most important factor, I believe, has been the determination of graduate students, faculty and staff to make our program work well. Graduate students now play a much greater role in the direction of the program, and this move has been enthusiastically welcomed by the faculty.

For example, two students were members of the committee that comprehensively reviewed the Graduate Program last year. The Graduate Program Committee, which, among other responsibilities, determines the course schedule each semester and must approve all curricular changes, includes a voting student member. This year's representative is Ms. Marilyn Hunt, a Ph.D. student. Another doctoral student, Mr. Philip Auter, served in that capacity last year.

Students in our program are more than just degree candidates. Their input is constantly sought by the Director of Graduate Studies, the Dean of the College of Communications and the faculty. In fact, many of the policy changes in our program began with student comments and suggestions. As a graduate student, you should let us know your concerns and recommendations. Please tell us what we are doing right as well as what we are doing wrong.

If you are a new student, I hope you have taken the time to thoroughly read the Newcomer's Packet you received when you registered for classes. You should especially consider setting up an E-mail account (which is free of charge) so you can not only receive messages from the DGS office but also communicate with other students and the faculty. You should also check your mailbox at least once a week for announcements. (All students, not just teaching and research assistants, have a mailbox.)

I hope you will also find the first Graduate Newsletter of the year useful and informative. Notice that there are many academic opportunities, of which you should take advantage.

Finally, if you have items you think would interest your colleagues and the faculty, please send them to me via E-mail or hard copy. Our next Newsletter will be published around December 1.

Thanks for being an integral part of our graduate program.

*Roy L. Moore*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOB BOOK

The Department of Communication receives daily announcements of primarily academic job openings around the country. These are kept in a "job book" in the department copier room. Whether or not you are looking for a job, you may want to check the book to get a sense of what's available. The book can NOT be removed from the room.

MEMBERSHIP FORMS

Professional associations, including the International Communication Association (ICA), the Speech Communication Association (SCA) and the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication offer graduate students special membership dues, which are usually half of the normal price. Graduate student members typically receive the same benefits as other members, including a subscription to journals and newsletters and access to the placement service as well as substantially reduced convention fees. Membership applications for all three of these organizations - ICA, SCA and AEJMC -- are available from the DGS Office. You should seriously consider joining one or more of them and get all of their benefits at graduate student rates!

UPCOMING CONVENTIONS

The 1992 ICA Annual Convention will be May 22-25 at the Intercontinental Hotel in Miami, Florida. The theme of the conference is "Communication and New Worlds." The deadline for faculty and graduate student competitive papers is Friday, November 1. See the DGS for more details. We have had very strong representation at past ICA conventions, including quite a few graduate student and faculty papers, panel presentations, etc. The head of the Mass Communication Division is Dean Douglas A. Boyd to whom papers should be submitted for this division.



The Southeast Regional Colloquium of the AEJMC Newspaper, Law and History Divisions will be Thursday, March 26 to Saturday, March 28, 1992 at the Stone Mountain Inn, Stone Mountain, GA

The conference will open with a reception on the evening of the 26th, and close mid-afternoon Saturday.

The deadline for research papers is Wednesday, December 4. They must be sent to Dr. Wally Eberhard at the University of Georgia. Program ideas should be sent to Dr. Greg Lisby at Georgia State University. More information is available from the DGS.



SCA VAN

Dean Boyd has reserved a 15-seat van for graduate students and faculty to go to the SCA convention in Atlanta during October 31 - November 3. A decision will be made later when to leave for and depart from Atlanta, but it is likely that the van will leave here on October 30 and return on November 3, although leaving on the morning of the 31st is an option.

Because this will be a first come, first served operation, sign up as soon as possible. Esther is keeping a list and we already have 6 or 7 names. While it is a 15-person van, 12 is probably a more likely number, leaving room for baggage.

Dr. Woody Davis, who recently graduated from our Ph.D. program, is the designated driver for the van. Please sign up now.



## OPPORTUNITIES

### GRE PREPARATION WORKSHOP

The University of Kentucky, in collaboration with ETS (Educational Testing Service of Princeton), will host a GRE General Test Preparation Workshop on Friday, October 4, 1991. The purpose of this workshop will be to enhance the test-taking skills of Central-Kentucky students who plan to attend graduate school in the future.

There is no cost associated with this service. The workshop will be from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon in Room 106 Classroom Building. Registration is on a first come first serve basis. A sign up sheet is in room 327 Patterson Office Tower. It is important that students register because workshop materials must be ordered for each individual participant. Enrollment is limited to 125.

### SSRC GRANTS

**THE SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL (SSRC)** is an autonomous, non-governmental, not-for-profit, international association devoted to the advancement of interdisciplinary research in the social sciences. It does this through a wide variety of workshops and conferences, fellowships and grants, summer training institutes, scholarly exchanges, and publications.

The Council's committees sponsor a number of competitive predoctoral fellowship and advanced research grant programs for faculty and students. Selection procedures vary from committee to committee, but in all cases the determination of fellowships and grants is made by groups of scholars from a variety of disciplines. ***Deadlines vary.*** See the DGS for more details.

#### REMINDER . . .

**Graduate Student Reception**  
**Friday, October 4, 1991**  
**5:00 pm Hilary J. Boone Faculty Club**  
**Hunt Morgan Room**

### 1992 ICA DISSERTATION AWARD

The International Communication Association Mass Communication Division's annual dissertation award, named in honor of the memory of K. Kyoon Hur, is designed to encourage and acknowledge the best in doctoral research and dissertation writing in mass communication.

Nominations for the 1992 award are sought from programs and institutions granting the Ph.D. in any aspect of mass communication. The rules for this year's competition are:

1. Only dissertations completed between July 1, 1989 and June 30, 1991 are eligible. Completion means that the final examination (dissertation defense) has been held and passed.
2. Nominations must be made by letter from the dissertation adviser or graduate program director. (Nominations may not be made by students.)
3. The following materials must be submitted with the letter of nomination:
  - a. Four copies of a section from, an amalgam of sections from, or a paper about the dissertation. The section or paper should provide clear insights into the dissertation's argument, method, and findings (maximum 30 pages, double-spaced).
  - b. One copy of the complete, signed dissertation.
4. All materials must be received by November 1, 1991, and are to be sent to:

Pamela J. Shoemaker  
 School of Journalism  
 Ohio State University  
 242 W. 18th Avenue  
 Columbus, OH 43210  
 Telephone: 614-292-6291

*See the DGS for more information.*

**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY  
LYMAN T. JOHNSON MINORITY POSTDOCTORAL  
FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

Five postdoctoral fellowships, named in honor of the University's first African-American doctoral student, are available for periods up to 2 years beginning with the Fall Semester 1991. Postdoctoral fellows are expected to pursue an individualized program of advanced research training under the mentorship of one or more UK professors. Fellows may teach no more than one course per semester.

**Fields:** Applications are welcome for study in any academic area in which the University offers a doctoral degree.

**Support:** \$25,000 stipend and \$5,000 research support, including travel, per calendar year.

**Eligibility:** Minority students who are American citizens or permanent U.S. residents and who will have completed the doctoral degree by September 1, 1991 or who have completed the doctoral degree within the past four years are eligible to apply. Selective criteria include evidence of scholarship potentially competitive for tenure-track faculty appointment in research universities and compatibility of specific research interests with those present in doctorate-granting units of campus.

**Application:** Curriculum vitae, sample publications or dissertation chapters, 3-5 page research proposal, and three letters of recommendation (sent directly from the references) should be sent to:

Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies  
207 Administration Building  
University of Kentucky  
Lexington, KY 40506-0032

**USIA**

The U.S. Information Agency Office of Research has an opening for a media analyst in its Communications Media Branch at the Washington, D.C. headquarters.

Responsibilities and salary will vary according to experience and qualifications, but the agency expects to hire at either the GS-7 (\$21,023 starting), GS-9, GS-11 or GS-12 (\$37,294 to start).

At the highest level the work will involve all phases of project design, administration and finally analysis of foreign audience survey data. Largely

these projects are aimed at supporting the forty-three language services of the Voice of America radio station and USIA's satellite-delivered international television service **WORLDNET**.

Candidates should have at least a Master's degree and be well-grounded in analysis of survey data, using standard computer statistical packages. He or she should have a strong interest in international affairs. Overseas experience will be considered a plus, as will knowledge of foreign languages.

***See Dean Boyd for details.***

## CALL FOR PAPERS

The Ohio University  
College of Communication  
Sixth Annual  
Communication Research Conference  
April 3-4, 1992  
The Ohio University Inn  
Athens, Ohio

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Top papers receive CASH PRIZES  
and ALL accepted papers receive  
critiques from outstanding  
scholars in speech, journalism,  
and telecommunications.

### Guidelines for Submission

1. The purpose of this conference is to recognize and encourage outstanding work by graduate students.
2. Submittals must be scholarly studies on research problems and questions within the general field of communication, e.g., in interpersonal/small group communication, organizational communication, journalism, mass communication, telecommunications, and rhetoric. Quantitative and/or qualitative studies are welcome.
3. Prefer that submittals be in the form of completed papers. Extensive abstracts will be considered, but only completed papers may compete for cash prizes.
4. Maximum length is 25 pages plus tables and references, typed and double-spaced.
5. Cash prizes are \$100 for the top-ranked paper, \$75 for second and third, and \$50 for fourth and fifth.
6. Three copies of the paper must be submitted. Each copy must include a 150-word abstract and a detachable title page with complete name, mailing address, and telephone number for each author.
7. Submittals must be **RECEIVED** no later than **Monday, January 6, 1992!** Send to:

Tom Daniels, Associate Dean  
College of Communication, RTVC 483  
Ohio University  
Athens, Ohio 45701-2979

Authors of accepted papers will be notified on or about February 7, 1992.

## REPORTS AVAILABLE

1. The DGS office has a copy of an Educational Testing Service (ETS) technical report entitled "Sex, Race, Ethnicity and Performance on the GRE General Test." Also included is an ETS produced pamphlet covering questions and answers concerning this technical report and an ETS produced set of guidelines for using Graduate Record Examination scores. All three documents are available for check-out.
2. You may also want to read the April 1991 Association for Communication Administration Bulletin, which contains some very useful articles on topics such as dissertation support groups, full-time teaching and the ABD phenomenon, and women in academia by the year 2000. It's on reserve in the College Reading Room.
3. You should also check out an article in the DGS office that was distributed by Dean Boyd to all faculty members and teaching assistants entitled, "Communication Strategies for Managing Sexual Harassment in Organizations: Understanding Message Options and Their Effects." It's very enlightening and is "must" reading.
4. Finally, take a look at Second Chugah Conference Report on the Future of Communication. It's also available from the DGS office.
5. Although we don't have a copy of the book yet, we have an order form for the latest version of a Mastering APA Style: Student Workbook and Training Guide, which provides an organized, systematic and effective way for graduate students to learn and master American Psychological Association style. The book is \$29.95 and highly recommended for those who have difficulty with APA style, which includes the DGS.

## FACULTY NEWS

1. **Dr. Robert Bostrom** was invited to the Australian Communication Association's annual meeting in Sydney this summer, where he presented a summary of listening instruction in the United States. He also visited the Kuring-Gai campus of the Sydney Technical Institute, and in addition, made a videotaped lecture for use in Australian Colleges and Universities. Dr. Bostrom's recent book **Listening Behavior: Measurement and Applications** was responsible for calling the Australians' attention to this area. This book also contains chapters by UK professor **Dr. Pamela Kalbfleisch** and former UK professor, **Dr. Milton Shatzer** (now at Pepperdine University).

2. **Dr. Thomas Lindlof** was appointed to the editorial board of the **Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media** for a three-year term.

He was also appointed to serve on the Publications Committee of the Broadcast Education Association. The Committee's main responsibility is to select the editors of the BEA's journals, the **Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media** and **Feedback**.

3. **Dr. Ramona Rush** and Roger Simpson, University of Washington, have been named co-coordinators by the Committee on the Status of Women of a Task Force on Gay, Lesbian, and Family Diversity Issues.

Dr. Rush has pledged the cooperation of the Executive Committee, the Commission of the Status of Women, and several AEJMC divisions to try to bring several international members of COCO (Council of Communication Organizations: A Women's Network) to the annual meeting in Montreal in 1992. Rush started the networking group in 1982 during an AEJMC meeting in Corvallis, Oregon; the group's decade anniversary will be celebrated with reports on the status of women in communication from the members.

4. **Dr. Ramona Rush** has been selected director of a workshop program on women in journalism and mass communication for Hungarian communicators in November in Budapest. The Cox International Communication Center, University of Georgia, in cooperation with The American Journalism Center, Budapest, and the Hungarian Association of Journalists, is sponsoring the workshop. A team of three will accompany Rush to Budapest, including Peggy Simpson, a journalist with experience covering women's issues in Washington, D.C.; Sheila Gibbons, director of public affairs for Gannett and editor of **Media Reports to Women**; and Dr. Katharina Wilson, who is a Hungarian native and professor of comparative literature, emphasizing women writers, at the University of Georgia. The Hungarian President, Arpad Goncz, and his wife will give opening remarks at the workshop. Interested graduate students in Dr. Rush's CJT 619 class on global communication and information perspectives are preparing research papers to accompany Dr. Rush for presentation during the conference.

## AEJMC CONVENTION

The College of Communications Graduate Program was well-represented, as usual, at this year's annual convention of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication in Boston during August 7-10. **Papers presented included:**

1. **Jawahara K. Saidullah**, "Shakti: The Power of the Mother" (Joint Session of the Qualitative Studies Division and the Commission on the Status of Women).
2. **Dr. Ramona R. Rush** and **Jill W. Hall**, "Myth-Busting the Biggest Little Monolith in the World: Flaw in the Family" (Commission on the Status of Women). **Dr. Rush** also served as moderator/presider of this session entitled "Of Myth and Media: Lifestyle Diversity and Media Response."

## AEJMC CONVENTION (Continued):

4. Sonia Gutierrez-Villalobos (an M.A. graduate of our program who is now at the University of Massachusetts), Dr. James Hertog and Dr. Ramona Rush, "Press Support for the U.S. Administration During Periods of External Conflict: A Test of Three Theories" (International Division).

5. Dr. Haeryon Kim, "Congress and the FCC: An Analysis of Congressional Hearings on Nominations of FCC Commissioners" (Law Division).

6. Hussein Y. Amin and Dr. Douglas A. Boyd, "The Impact of the Home Video Cassette Recorder on Egyptian Film and Television Consumption Patterns" (Joint Session of the Radio-Television Journalism and International Communication Divisions).

7. Elizabeth K. Hansen and Dr. Roy L. Moore, "The Public v. The U.S. Supreme Court and Newspaper Editors: Attitudes Toward Libel" (Joint Session of the Law and Media Management and Economics Divisions).

Dr. Ramona R. Rush also served as moderator/presider for the organizational meeting of COCO/GRACIAS and was a discussant for a refereed joint paper session of the Public Relations Division and the Commission on the Status of Women.

Dr. Douglas A. Boyd also served as moderator/presider for a refereed paper session entitled "Learning About the World: The Production of International News" (jointly sponsored by the International Communication Division and the Community College Journalism Association).

## GRADUATE STUDENT NEWS

Philip Auter is now a regular manuscript reviewer for The Electronic Journal of Communication/La Revue Electronique de Communication, an English/French communication journal that is accessed through Comserve.

## PAPERS PRESENTED

1. Vikrant Dhoundiyal, "Though Much is Taken, Much Abides: Exploring the Possibility of Individuals with Physical Disabilities Working in Extreme Environments," International Design for Extreme Environments Assembly (IDEEA) Conference in Houston in November. The conference is sponsored by NASA.

Mr. Dhoundiyal also was a guest lecturer at the Singletary Center last month. His presentation, "The Kiss of the Snow Queen: Artificial Intelligence and Emotions," is based on his dissertation work.

2. Three Communication and two Patterson School graduate students presented papers at the HUSITA-2 (Human Services Information Technology Applications) conference at Rutgers University this past June. They include Monica Ganas, Jill Hall, and Autumn Grubb-Swetnam; and Julia Garpeisky-Ryan and H. Michael Gelfand. The papers were presented in CJT 780: Women's Global Communications, taught by Dr. Ramona Rush, who also presented a paper.

## SURVIVAL TIPS

1. Ph.D. students taking CJT 769 for 0 credit hours do not have to pay the \$50 registration fee.

2. The Graduate Council officially approved this month the following foreign language provision for the graduate program:

"Proficiency in a foreign language is no longer required for successful completion of the Ph.D. in Communication. A student's advisory committee may stipulate certain graduate-level courses in another language for the student's program that are consistent with the objectives of the student's program."

