



## **Postdoctoral Scholar in Communication**

### **College of Liberal Arts**

**Department:** Communication

**Description:** The Department of Communication invites applications for a two year Postdoctoral Diversity and Innovation Scholar beginning August 2020. We are seeking candidates with a Ph.D. in Communication or a closely related discipline, although outstanding ABD candidates are strongly encouraged to apply (with the expectation that the dissertation will be defended by July 1, 2020). Candidates also should be able to demonstrate a productive research program, the potential for innovative public engagement in that context, and a passion for teaching. Candidates must have earned their Ph.D. in the past five years.

The Department seeks a communication scholar who demonstrates a commitment to diversity and social justice. We are interested in candidates who will bring such a perspective to scholarly interests ranging across areas such as, but not limited to, intercultural communication, critical cultural rhetoric, communication advocacy, medical rhetoric and/or health communication.

The Department of Communication has approximately 550 undergraduate majors and offers a curriculum that integrates critical media studies, rhetorical studies, and studies of language and social interaction using methods such as textual analysis, qualitative research, direct observation, and historical analysis. This ideal candidate will build on existing departmental strengths and expand our curriculum into the discovery and analysis of various communication processes that bridge those three areas. The Postdoctoral Scholar will conduct their own research and work closely with a senior faculty mentor to develop an independent research program consistent with their areas of scholarship.

Postdoctoral Scholars have the opportunity to teach existing courses in the undergraduate communication curriculum, including introductory courses (Propaganda and Persuasion, Introduction to Language and Social Interaction, and Introduction to Media Studies). The teaching load is one course annually.

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