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For more details and updated information about the Graduate Program in Communication at Pitt, visit
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Admission Requirements

All admissions are to the Department of Communication, not to the specific areas of emphasis. We welcome applicants whose interests bridge between and among these areas: History, Theory, and Criticism of Rhetoric; Public Address and Argument; Media and Culture; Rhetoric of Science

- A bachelor's or master's degree in communication or a related field
- Transcripts from all universities and/or colleges attended
- Recent scores on the Graduate Record Examination (and, if not a native speaker of English, TOEFL)
- Writing sample
- Personal statement
- Three letters of recommendation (preferably from former professors)
- Curriculum Vitae

All applicants must apply online by first business day in January for admission in the fall semester.

Financial Aid

The average of six students admitted each year normally receive teaching assistantships and fellowships that include a full-tuition scholarship, medical insurance, free public transportation, and a stipend for teaching services or full-time research. Summer grants and teaching opportunities may be applied for.

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Graduate Program area of
emphasis

History, Theory, and Criticism of Rhetoric



The Graduate Program in

Communication in the Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh is consistently identified as one of the top 10 programs in the country. Its faculty and graduates have provided leadership to the field and continue to shape the study of communication in significant ways.

The program offers **four areas of emphasis:** history, theory, and criticism of rhetoric; media and culture; public address and argument; and rhetoric of science.

The **history, theory, and criticism of rhetoric** department has a long tradition of excellence in the study of rhetorical theory and practice from antiquity to the present day.

Today's program encourages the opening of new areas of study rather than settling into established territories. Informed by the demands of tradition and innovation, the program regards rhetoric as an orientation to the world and a situated practice. As such, the program promotes a rhetorical understanding of other disciplines.

Degrees Offered

The MA and PhD in communication, with optional certificates or concurrent MAs in related programs.

Seminars include:

- Kenneth Burke
- Rhetoric of Human Rights
- Rhetoric of Social Movements
- Rhetoric and Culture
- Classical Rhetoric
- Critical Theory
- Contemporary Rhetorical Theory
- Historical Methods in Rhetoric
- Rhetorical Criticism
- Philosophy and Rhetoric
- Pragmatism and Rhetoric
- Rhetorical Theory
- Science and Its Rhetorics
- Visual Rhetoric

Many students also draw from course work in public address and argument and media and cultural studies. Others take their already strong background in rhetoric to work in other fields, such as bioethics, Latin American studies, Russian and Eastern European studies, classics, cultural studies, philosophy, history and philosophy of science, women's studies, and public and international affairs.



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