



Ph.D. in Communication

Program Overview

- Prepares students to be researchers and future faculty in Communication
- Students complete:
 - 54 credits
 - Comprehensive examination
 - Dissertation
- Assessment based on
 - portfolio of research, teaching, and service

Need for Program

- National and state shortage of doctorally qualified Communication faculty
- Provides option for students in the Milwaukee community to get Ph.D. in SE Wisconsin

Program Focus

- Study of the practical consequences of communicative action:
 - The effect of communication on organizational goals and structure.
 - The processes of interpersonal communication and conflict resolution.
 - The conduct of public policy discussion

Program Strengths

■ Strong research focus

- Faculty research on community issues, AIDS, teen pregnancy, school violence, employer-employee relations, health care
- Collaborative research with community organizations

■ Online and in-class teaching experience for all full time students

■ Faculty

- Distinguished research and scholarship
- Award winning teaching
- Engagement in community based research

Diversity

- Departmental history of success in attracting and graduating students of color:
 - 14% of BA degrees earned by students of color
 - 17% of MA degrees earned by students of color
- Diversity focus in curriculum and research
- Increase supply of diverse graduates for state institutions

Questions?