



SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION

Illinois State University

Admission Application:

Complete the online Admission Application to the Graduate Program in Communication at:
<https://go.illinoisstate.edu> .

- ✓ Be prepared to upload a Letter of Application in which you discuss your background, academic interests, and career objectives.
- ✓ Indicate 3 individuals, and their contact information, who will submit Letters of Recommendation on your behalf. Writers should upload letters on official letterhead, when possible and applicable, directly to the application system.
- ✓ Be prepared to upload a Resume/Curriculum Vitae. Indicate your GPA in your major on your resume/CV.
- ✓ Be prepared to upload a Writing Sample. Academic papers that demonstrate research ability, integration of citations, and writing quality work best for a writing sample.
- ✓ To ensure full consideration, your application should be complete and submitted no later than *February 1st* for a *Fall* admission, or *October 1st* for a *Spring* admission.
- ✓ To be admitted, you should have a minimum 3.00 GPA over the last 60 hours of your undergraduate degree. Have official transcripts sent from all colleges attended.
- ✓ International students should obtain a minimum TOEFL score of 250 (computer-based testing), 100 (Internet-based testing), or 600 (paper-based).

Assistantship Application:

Complete the online Graduate Assistantship Application for the School of Communication at:
<https://www.jobs.ilstu.edu> .

- ✓ Be prepared to upload a Teaching Philosophy in which you describe your views on the nature of teaching and learning.
- ✓ Please submit the assistantship application at the time you submit the admission application as the deadlines are the same.
- ✓ Graduate teaching assistants are trained to teach the basic communication course and/or to perform other services for the School of Communication. Our assistantships are available for Fall applicants, but typically not available for Spring starts.
- ✓ Assistantships carry a full-tuition waiver and monthly stipend of \$1,000 for up to four semesters.
- ✓ A minimum 3.00 GPA over the last 60 hours of your undergraduate degree is required to be a teaching assistant. Award recipients are selected among eligible applicants on a competitive basis.
- ✓ Students who do not receive an assistantship can apply for a partial-tuition waiver. The graduate tuition waiver application is on the School of Communication's graduate website.

For More Information:

- ✓ Please visit our website (<http://communication.illinoisstate.edu/graduate/>) for information regarding our faculty, graduate seminars, and degree options.
- ✓ To discuss your application or our program, please contact: Dr. Kevin R. Meyer, Graduate Coordinator, Campus Box 4480, Normal, IL 61790-4480, Office: (309) 438-3277, Cell: (309) 299-1961, E-mail: kmeyer@ilstu.edu