

Subject: Admission to the Graduate Program
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POLICY:

The School of Journalism and Mass Communications offers graduate work at both the Master's and Doctoral degree levels.

PROCEDURE:

An applicant for admission to the M.A. or M.M.C. degree programs ~~programs~~ will be evaluated on a combination of factors: undergraduate grade point average, performance on the GRE; professional experience (especially if that experience is in mass media-related positions); recommendations and a written statement of objectives, in which the applicant outlines reasons for seeking a graduate degree in mass communications. Successful applicants usually present an undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.00 and a combined GRE score (verbal and quantitative) of 1,000 and at least a 4.5 on the analytical writing section of the exam.

Admission to the doctoral program is voted on individually by the School's graduate council after consideration of a number of factors including: the applicant's academic record in undergraduate and master's degree work, performance on the GRE, professional experience (especially if that experience) is in mass media-related positions), recommendations and the applicant's personal statement outlining reasons for applying for doctoral study. Successful applicants usually present a combined GRE score (verbal and quantitative) of 1800 and a 5.0 on the analytical writing section. International applicants are expected to present a TOEFL score of a minimum of 600 or 250 on the computer-based version or a score of 75 on the most recent version of the test.