Communication

Department Information

• **Department Chair:**
  Stephenson Beck, Ph.D.

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• **Application Deadline:**
  Ph.D. - March 1; M.A. - March 15, October 15

• **Credential Offered:**
  Ph.D., M.A.

• **Test Requirement:**
  GRE

• **English Proficiency Requirements:**
  TOEFL iBT 100, IELTS 7 for admission; TOEFL iBT 100, IELTS 7 for teaching assistantship

Stephenson J. Beck, Ph.D.
University of Kansas, 2008
Research Interests: Group and Organizational Communication, Interaction Analysis, Communication Strategy

Ross F. Collins, Ph.D.
University of Cambridge, 1992
Research Interests: Media History, International Media

Elizabeth Crisp Crawford, Ph.D.
University of Tennessee, 2007
Research Interests: Visual Storytelling, Advertising Message Strategy, Advertising Education

Shuning Lu, Ph.D.
University of Texas at Austin, 2019
Research Interests: Mass Communication, Digital Journalism

Zoltan Majdik, Ph.D.
University of Southern California, 2008
Research Interests: Rhetoric, Computational Study of Language, Digital Humanities

Robert Mejia, Ph.D.
University of Illinois, 2012
Research Interests: Media and Cultural Studies, Political Economy of the Media, Technology Studies, Game Studies, Rhetoric of Health and Disease

Carrie Anne Platt, Ph.D.
University of Southern California, 2008
Research Interests: Rhetoric of Cultural Politics, Gender and Technology, Media in Society

Melissa A. Vosen Callens, Ph.D.
North Dakota State University, 2010
Research Interests: Online Pedagogy, Emerging Media and Classroom Technology, Representations of Race and Gender in Popular Culture

Justin A. Walden, Ph.D.
Pennsylvania State University, 2013
Research Interests: Organizational Communication, Organizational and Individual Technology Adoption, Employee/Brand Advocacy

Catherine Kingsley Westerman, Ph.D.
Michigan State University, 2008
Research Interests: Organizational Communication, Workplace Friendships

David Westerman, Ph.D.
Michigan State University, 2007
Research Interests: Computer Mediated Communication, Interpersonal Communication

Cheng Zeng, Ph.D.
University of Jyvaskyla, Finland, 2018
Research Interests: Organizational Communication

Emeritus

Robert S. Littlefield, Ph.D.
University of Minnesota

Paul E. Nelson, Ph.D.
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