Communication, Media and Theatre, M.A.

Overview

The Master of Arts in Communication, Media and Theatre program is designed to provide advanced study of communication research and the principles and practices of communication, media and theatre. This program is designed for students interested in advanced corporate positions, teachers of communication at the secondary level, elementary school teachers, candidates for teaching positions in higher education, and as a preparation for further graduate study. All newly admitted students begin coursework in the fall semester.

Credit hours required: 30

Careers

- Teaching
- Advertising/Promotions/Social Networking
- Communications Consultant
- Community Relations Director
- College-Level Instructor
- Public Relations Practitioner
- Marketing Communication Researcher
- Media Critic
- Theatre Management
- Professional/Academic Researcher

Program of Study

Individualized programs of study are designed in consultation with and subject to the approval of the graduate program advisor. A maximum of six hours in cognate areas may be included.

Core courses: (15 credit hours)
CMTC-401 Introduction to Graduate Study ......................... 3 cr.
CMTC-402 Seminar in Research Methods ......................... 3 cr.
CMTC-404 Communication Theory ................................. 3 cr.
CMTT-430 Dramatic Theory ........................................... 3 cr.
CMTM-465 Mass Communication Theory ......................... 3 cr.
Electives selected from 400-level CMT courses ............ 15 cr.
Total ........ 30 cr.

Students choose either the thesis option, upon approval, or the non-thesis option. Students who choose the non-thesis option must pass a comprehensive written examination. The full, definitive description of policies and program requirements can be found in the NEIU Catalog.

Subject to change. See current University catalog for up-to-date information.

Admissions

Applicants must meet the general requirements for admission to the College of Graduate Studies and Research. Applicants are also required to have completed 15 credit hours in communication, media, or theatre at an accredited institution of higher education with a B average. In addition, application requirements include the submission of a writing sample and a personal interview.

GRE: Not required

Attending Northeastern

- Classes are offered during the late afternoon and evening hours to accommodate professionals working full-time
- Students may attend either part-time or full-time
- Current in-state graduate tuition is less than $400 per credit hour (tuition & fees)
- Financial support: Financial aid (loans), merit tuition scholarships, and graduate assistantships are often available to help fund your graduate education. Contact us for further details.

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