APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR GRADUATE STUDY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Apply online to the Graduate School at: http://gradschool.siu.edu/applygrad/

All prospective students must complete the Graduate School application process before their application can be considered by the department.

A one-time non-refundable $65 application fee is required. Applications missing the required fee will not be considered.

Departmental Deadline:

The departmental deadline for applications is January 15. Late applications will not be considered. We admit only for the fall semester.

Dept. code for test scores (GRE, TOEFL) - 4506

Departmental Requirements:

Three letters of recommendations are required. Please follow the guidelines on the Graduate School application page to insure that your letter writers can comply with your request for a recommendation. Ideally, the letters of recommendation will be from individuals who can speak to your academic abilities.

The GRE is required. The department, however, does not have a minimal score that must be achieved. The verbal and analytical scores are of particular importance.

Official transcripts from each college and university attended must be sent directly to the department. Most delays in admissions are caused by the applicant’s failure to have registrars from each college and university send original transcripts.

A writing sample is optional. Although the Graduate School application page allows you to upload a writing sample, the department prefers receiving all writing samples through snail mail. Please do not send material longer than 30 pages.

International students must have a TOEFL score of 600 (paper based), 250 (computer based) or 100 (internet based). The minimum required score for the IELTS is 7. Test scores must not be older than 2 years. International students should also provide a Financial Statement as outlined on the Graduate School application page.
Application Checklist:
___ Graduate School application
___ Application fee
___ Letters of recommendation (3)
___ GRE
___ Official transcripts (sent directly to the department)
___ Writing sample (optional, sent directly to the department)
___ TOEFL/IELTS (International students only)
___ Financial Statement (International students only)

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Note: Doctoral applicants interested in a Theater focus, please see: http://cola.siu.edu/theater/graduate/graduate-degree/index.php. Contact Dr. Mark Varns for questions and information (varns@siu.edu).