

COMMUNICATION STUDIES (THESIS) (M.A.) (45 CREDITS)

Offered by: Art History & Communications (Faculty of Arts)

Degree: Master of Arts

Program credit weight: 45

Program Description

The M.A. in Communication Studies offers advanced training in the critical, historical, and theoretical analysis of communication in culture, communication technology, and communication policy. M.A. students pursue coursework and write an M.A. thesis that reflects sustained analysis of a topic in Communication Studies. The M.A. degree is academic in character, and does not include professional training in media production.

Note: For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

Thesis Courses (24 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
COMS 692	M.A. Thesis Preparation 1.	6
COMS 693	M.A. Thesis Preparation 2.	6
COMS 694	M.A. Thesis Preparation 3.	6
COMS 695	M.A. Thesis Preparation 4.	6

Required Course (3 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
COMS 616	Staff-Student Colloquium 1.	3

Complementary Courses (18 credits)

18 credits of 500-level or higher COMS courses; two courses outside COMS require approval of the Graduate Program Director.