Dear Journalism & Media Prospective Ph.D. Applicant:

Greetings from Austin. On behalf of our colleagues in the school we welcome your interest in our program in journalism and media. On this site we hope you've taken note of some of our outstanding alums, and just a partial list of the universities where they have found positions. Our graduates enjoy nearly 100 percent job placement in faculty positions, guaranteed four-year funding for well-qualified students, and competitive TA salaries, as well as a host of inter-disciplinary opportunities in the world-class Moody College of Communication. In addition, here are some other updates worth sharing as of fall 2018:

We are welcoming two outstanding new faculty members: Profs. <u>Amy Kristin Sanders</u> (media law and policy) and <u>Sam Woolley</u> (computational propaganda).

Moody faculty also are being re-aligned in new ways to strengthen our program's range and depth in journalism and media research, with new appointments recently extended to Department of Radio-TV-Film professors Sharon Strover, Karin Wilkins, and Kathleen Tyner (adding to prior appointments of Wenhong Chen and Joe Straubhaar). These colleagues are poised to become more fully involved in our program, providing deep social science expertise and grant support in ethnographic methods, network analysis, media policy, digital platforms, global communication, media literacy, and China. Prof. Talia Stroud (Communication Studies) continues as a key affiliate faculty member in political communication.

New initiatives in the Moody College include the <u>Dallas Morning News Journalism Innovation</u> <u>Endowment</u>, <u>Center for Media Engagement</u>, <u>Center for Health Communication</u>, and the newly announced <u>Institute for Media Innovation</u>.

Additional resources:

- Watch a video about our PhD program: <u>https://vimeo.com/194572150</u>.
- Find information on "How to apply": <u>https://journalism.utexas.edu/graduate/apply</u>
- Direct questions about admission to our Graduate Program Coordinator

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Thank you in advance for encouraging your students to contact us about admission. We value your partnership in this effort.

Sincerely,

- Dr. Kathleen McElroy, Director
- Dr. Mary Bock, Graduate Adviser
- Dr. Stephen D. Reese, Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee