

Rinehart Chair

School of Communication

College of Arts and Sciences

Position Overview

The School of Communication at The Ohio State University invites applications for the Rinehart Chair in mediated communication, a 9-month full-time endowed position at the rank of associate professor or professor, with tenure, to begin August 2024. In addition to the title, the endowment will provide a substantial annual research stipend. The successful applicant will conduct research related to mediated communication and will teach courses in areas that further the school's leadership in the social scientific study of communication. We welcome applicants whose research complements and builds on our areas of strength, which include communication technology and society; health communication and social influence; mass communication uses and effects; and/or political communication and public opinion.

Education and Experience Requirements

Required: Candidates must be trained in communication or a closely aligned field and have or be developing a national and international reputation doing theory-based empirical research. Successful candidates will have a Ph.D., a demonstrated record of excellent productivity and placement in the major disciplinary or specialty journals in Communication and/or allied fields, and a solid record of teaching and mentorship.

Desired: A research funding track record or evidence of potential to develop such funding is preferred. Candidates should demonstrate attentiveness to building a diverse intellectual community, in line with OSU's [shared values](#) (see below).

How to Apply

Apply to the Careers at Ohio State website at https://osu.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/OSUCareers/job/Columbus-Campus/Rinehart-Chair_R89332-2. A competitive application consists of the following required elements: a cover letter, curriculum vitae, separate research and teaching statements, and three letters of reference. Review of applications will begin on October 15, 2023, and will continue until the position is filled. Inquiries may be directed to Dr. Joyce Wang at wang.1243@osu.edu.

You will be presented with the opportunity to attach up to five documents in the Application Documents section. Please include the following:

Attachment 1: Cover Letter

Attachment 2: Curriculum Vitae

Attachment 3: Teaching Statement

Attachment 4: Research Statement

You will be sent an email with instructions to provide names and contact information for three reference letters [following submission of your application materials](#).

The College

With more than 80 majors and 100 minors, the College of Arts and Sciences is the academic heart of the university. The Arts and Sciences provides extraordinary opportunities to collaborate across disciplines, blending creativity and analysis to truly be at the forefront of thought. The breadth and depth of knowledge in the college gives students and researchers the critical thinking and adaptability essential for a lifetime of success.

Department Information

The School of Communication (<http://comm.osu.edu/>) is consistently ranked among the top programs in the field, and our faculty is committed to making original and substantively important contributions to empirical social scientific research on communication processes, basic or applied. We seek colleagues who will help us advance research projects and courses that will be attractive to graduate and undergraduate students in the major, while also speaking to the interests and needs of non-majors.

The University

Ohio State is a top-20 public university, and its Ohio State Wexner Medical Center is one of America's leading academic health centers and recently ranked No. 4 on *Forbes'* list of best U.S. employers for diversity. Eligible Ohio State employees receive comprehensive benefits packages, including medical, dental and vision insurance, tuition assistance for employees and their dependents, and state or alternative retirement options with competitive employer contributions.

The Ohio State University's [Shared Values](#) include Excellence and Impact, Diversity and Innovation, Inclusion and Equity, Care and Compassion, and Integrity and Respect. Our university community welcomes differences, encourages open-minded exploration and courageous thinking, and upholds freedom of expression.

Ohio State is a dynamic community where opportunity thrives, and individuals transform themselves and their world. Positions are available in countless fields and specialties. Become a Buckeye and contribute to an incredible legacy that serves to guide our future and shape a better tomorrow.

The Ohio State University is committed to enhancing academic excellence. Recruiting, supporting, and retaining faculty of the highest caliber is a core component of this commitment. The Office of Academic Affairs (OAA) has established [Dual Careers and Faculty Relocation \(DCFR\)](#) to focus on supporting new and prospective faculty and their loved ones. Service offerings include dual careers partner consultations, identifying potential employers and/or employment opportunities, consultation and resources related to relocation, as well as identifying opportunities to engage on campus and in the surrounding community. While employment opportunities are not guaranteed, resources and consultation are provided to support the partners of new and prospective faculty as they are considering or transitioning to The Ohio State University.

In addition to being responsive to dual-career opportunities, we strongly promote work-life balance to support our community members through a suite of institutionalized policies. Ohio State is an [NSF ADVANCE institution and a member of the Ohio/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Higher Education Recruitment Consortium \(HERC\)](#).

Located in Ohio's capital city, Ohio State's Columbus campus is near the center of a rapidly growing and diverse metropolitan area with a population of over 1.5 million. The area offers a wide range of affordable housing, many cultural and recreational opportunities, excellent schools, and a strong economy based on government as well as service, transportation, and technology industries. Additional information about the Columbus area is available [here](#). In addition to its Columbus campus, Ohio State has four [regional campuses](#) including Ohio State Lima, Ohio State Mansfield, Ohio State Marion, and Ohio State Newark, in addition to Ohio State ATI in Wooster.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, ancestry, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Final candidates are subject to successful completion of a background check. A drug screen or physical may be required during the post offer process.