

School of Communication Colloquium Communication 7890

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Location: [Carmen Zoom](#)
Time: Friday 12:40pm-1:35pm

Health and safety requirements

All students, faculty and staff are required to comply with and stay up to date on all university safety and health guidance (<https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu>), which includes wearing a face mask in any indoor space and maintaining a safe physical distance at all times. Non-compliance will be warned first and disciplinary actions will be taken for repeated offenses.

Course Goals

- To provide a forum for the presentation of the types of research conducted in the School of Communication by its faculty and students, as well as by those in allied fields at The Ohio State University.
- To provide a forum for the presentation of communication research conducted by scholars from outside The Ohio State University, which will be invited presentations, job talks, etc.
- To provide a forum for second-year doctoral students to present their research ideas and findings and obtain feedback from fellow students and faculty, as required by the School of Communication doctoral program.
- To provide opportunities for academic and professional socialization of School of Communication graduate students through panel discussions with faculty, graduate students, and invited speakers from related departments (e.g., teaching, research and career related).

Course Meetings and Delivery

This course will be delivered 100% online. This is an online colloquium with live, synchronous meetings each Friday from 12:40pm-1:35pm. It is identical to the traditional in-person course except that we will gather via Zoom instead of in-person due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Links are provided within each Carmen module to the Zoom session for the week.

Expectations for COMM 7890 Students

The School's colloquium series is open to all students and faculty in the School of Communication and beyond, regardless of formal enrollment status. However, it is a required component of the School of Communication MA (2 semesters) and PhD programs (4 semesters). Therefore, any student formally enrolled in COMM 7890 for credit is expected to attend colloquium as if it were any other course. Because there are no tests or papers required for COMM 7890, there is a single criterion on which the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grade assignments will be made at the end of each semester: *engaged attendance*.

Engaged attendance will be tracked through attendance at each colloquium and observation by the instructor or other members of the Graduate Studies Committee. Students who miss a given colloquium session need to notify the instructor in advance and provide suitable documentation for why colloquium was missed. If a student fails to attend *at least 75%* of the scheduled colloquium sessions without sufficient documentation (and completion of an appropriate make-up assignment),

this may lead to a “U” (Unsatisfactory) grade for the course. For those required to enroll in colloquium, semesters with a “U” grade cannot be counted toward the requirement.

In addition to your virtual presence, your mental presence is also required as part of the “engaged attendance” requirement. What this means is that you should not be devoting your mental effort to matters unrelated to the colloquium talk. Writing or reading papers, analyzing data, going online, emailing, texting, talking, sleeping, and other distracting and disrespectful behavior should be avoiding during colloquium. Students observed being engaged in these behaviors will not receive credit for engaged attendance for that session.

Email and Carmen:

You are responsible for checking your OSU email account and the Carmen course page regularly. Grades will be posted on Carmen throughout the semester.

Tentative Schedule

Please note that changes are likely due to schedule changes, speaker availability, scholars visiting the School, or other circumstances.

Date: Location	Topic/Speaker
8/28	Introduction to Colloquium
9/4	MEME research group
9/11	Faculty/lab introductions
9/18	Dr. Teresa Lynch
9/25	TBD
10/2	TBD
10/9	Doctoral Candidate Jared Ott
10/16	Doctoral Candidate Wenbo Li
10/23	Doctoral Candidate Matt Sweitzer
10/30	Dr. Joyce Wang
11/6	Doctoral Candidate Molly Mao
11/13	NCA talks (Thursday/Friday presenters)
11/20	NCA talks (Saturday/Sunday presenters)
12/4	TBD

Encouraging and optimal learning experience

Previous distance learning courses have provided insights from students on how to improve the learning experience and optimize outcomes. Here are a few tips from previous students to encourage your success in this online course:

- Students kept up with the schedule and assignment due dates.
- Students made sure they had access to a reliable internet connection.
- Students had access to at least one reliable device and a backup plan in case of a technological issue.

- Students followed the instructor's preference for camera and microphone settings during online synchronous meetings.

COVID-19 and Illness Policies**University COVID policies****Student illness or absence**

If *you* are too ill to participate in this course due to COVID-19 or another illness, please contact the instructor as soon as you are able. All materials will be made available on Carmen, including lecture recordings and slides. Alternate assignments or extensions may be arranged.

Instructor illness or absence

If the *instructor* is too ill to teach the course for a period of time, the designated backup for this course will step in. You will be notified via email from the School of Communication.

School of Communication Diversity Policy:

The School of Communication at The Ohio State University embraces and maintains an environment that respects diverse traditions, heritages, experiences, and people. Our commitment to diversity moves beyond mere tolerance to recognizing, understanding, and welcoming the contributions of diverse groups and the value group members possess as individuals. In our School, the faculty, students, and staff are dedicated to building a tradition of diversity with principles of equal opportunity, personal respect, and the intellectual interests of those who comprise diverse cultures.

Students with Special Needs:

“Students with disabilities that have been certified by the Office for Disability Services will be appropriately accommodated and should inform the instructor as soon as possible of their needs. The Office for Disability Services is located in 150 Pomerene Hall, 1760 Neil Avenue; telephone 292-3307, TDD 292-0901; <http://www.ods.ohio-state.edu/>.”

Please Take Care of Yourself: Mental Health Statement

As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's ability to participate in daily activities. The Ohio State University offers services to assist you with addressing these and other concerns you may be experiencing.

If you are or someone you know is suffering from any of the aforementioned conditions, you can learn more about the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the Office of Student Life's Counseling and Consultation Service (CCS) by visiting ccs.osu.edu or calling 614--292--5766. CCS is located on the 4th Floor of the Younkin Success Center and 10th Floor of Lincoln Tower. You can reach an on-call counselor when CCS is closed at 614-292-5766.

If you are thinking of harming yourself or need a safe, non-judgmental place to talk, or if you are worried about someone else and need advice about what to do, 24 hour emergency help is also available through the Suicide Prevention Hotline (Columbus: 614-221-5445 / National: 800-273-8255); or text (4hope to 741741); or at suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Academic Dishonesty:

"It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term "academic misconduct" includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct <http://studentlife.osu.edu/csc/>."