**Graduate Programs**

**College of Arts and Letters**

**Degree:** Master of Arts (M.A.)  
**Major:** Communication Studies

**Research Areas:** Rhetorical Studies, Media Studies, Film Studies, Intercultural Communication Studies, and Cultural Studies.

### Admission Requirements

**Domestic Students**
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0  
- Competitive GRE scores  
- Two academic letters of recommendation  
- Statement of scholarly interests and goals in essay form  
- Sample of scholarly writing (optional)

**International Students**
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0  
- Competitive GRE scores  
- Two academic letters of recommendation  
- Statement of scholarly interests and goals in essay form  
- Sample of scholarly writing (optional)  
- A general evaluation of international transcripts is required; FAU will do the evaluation or it must be done by a NACES member  
- TOEFL score of 500 or IBT of 61; IELTS 6.0

### Application Deadlines

**Domestic Students**
- **Fall:** March 1  
- **Spring:** October 1  
- No Summer acceptance

**International Students**
- **Fall:** April 1  
- **Spring:** October 1  
- No Summer acceptance

### Important information about applying to Graduate School:

- **Transcripts:** Submit official transcripts in sealed envelopes from all schools attended.  
  NOTE: If you attended one of the Florida State University System institutions, transcripts may be requested electronically.

- **Supporting documentation:** Supplemental documents should be uploaded as separate files as part of the online graduate admissions application. NOTE: You will not be able to submit your application until all the supplemental materials are uploaded.

- **Conduct:** A "yes" answer to either of the conduct questions on the online application will require a written explanation. Additional information may be requested when your application is under review. Applications will not be fully processed until all conduct issues are cleared.

- **Application status:** Once your application has been submitted, you can check your application status online to ensure transcripts and test scores have been received.  
  NOTE: Application status will say incomplete until an admission decision has been made.

- **Residency classification:** Your residency classification automatically defaults to non-Florida. After you are admitted, the residency officer will request additional documents by email if needed.