The Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication at the University of Georgia is currently accepting applications for its Ph.D. program in Mass Communication. The Grady Ph.D. program offers courses and research opportunities in different focus areas, including entertainment and media studies-related research and scholarship.

Our top-ranked Ph.D. program in Mass Communication is designed to prepare scholars for academic careers in teaching and research or for professional careers in industry or government. The program draws on faculty and resources of the College’s three departments: Advertising/Public Relations, Journalism, and Entertainment & Media Studies. As such, we welcome applications from students interested in scholarship and research opportunities in entertainment and media studies-related research and scholarship.

Students interested in entertainment or media studies have the opportunity to learn and apply a wide array of methodological and theoretical approaches. Entertainment & Media Studies Department faculty collaborate with Ph.D. students on teaching, research studies, and scholarship, including conference papers and peer-reviewed journal articles. Our Entertainment & Media Studies Department faculty expertise and research areas include:

- Digital and emerging media studies
- Constructions of identity through popular culture
- Mediated representations of gender, sexuality, race, and ethnicity
- International entertainment media industries and systems
- Global and domestic media industries and representations
- Entertainment media industries and labor
- Social-cultural history of media technologies and practices
- Television studies
- Global South media industries and feminisms
- Development communication

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Please visit our Ph.D. program site for information about requirements, applications, and assistantships. The application deadline for the doctoral cohort is January 1.