Communications

According to many social theorists, we have moved beyond a post-industrial society into an Information society. Every year a greater percentage of our workforce is employed in generating, documenting and transmitting information. The dynamics of this rapid change challenge us as individuals and as a society. In addition to comprehending an increasingly complex technology, we are faced with the need to develop a viable system of ethics and standards of information generation and sharing.

Interdisciplinary programs combine ordinarily separate subjects under a cohesive theme or topic. Each program is taught by a team of faculty, has a full schedule of seminars, lectures, labs and workshops, and may have options for additional courses in related subjects. You usually take only one program at a time and each program spans one, two or three quarters, so you have an excellent opportunity to probe what you are learning and to undertake long-term projects.

Advising Services

Our Advising Services enable you to make intelligent decisions about your education at each step of the way, rather than follow standardized requirements. You are able to work with a faculty or staff advisor in designing a coherent path through our Core, intermediate and advanced offerings. In this way you can combine programs, projects and internships as you work toward your degree. If you have chosen a field of study, if you are undecided, or if you change your mind later, our advisors can assist you in making appropriate plans.

Facilities

Equipment and facilities are important, but access is vital. We emphasize a hands-on approach to learning and you'll have access to:

A Communications Building with facilities for theater, music, dance and filmmaking;

Cameras, projectors, tape recorders and audio/video equipment through the Library's Media Loan services;

Four well-equipped recording studios;

A complete video production system;

Drafting tables, darkrooms, and editing benches;

IBM-PC and Apple MacIntosh interactive terminals for classwork and text editing, and

A computer center open up to 24 hours per day.

Whether you plan to pursue Communications as your primary field, or as an addition to another field, you will want to explore the following interdisciplinary programs listed in the Catalog:

"Data to Information"

An entry-level program designed for students who have completed at least one year of college. This program covers the fundamentals of information systems, programming and system design.

"Identity, Imagination and Voice: The Politics of Representation"
An advanced study of how colonial expressions of self are being replaced by a new politics of self-representation.

Recording and Structuring Light and Sound"

An entry-level program that will introduce students to a wide variety of production skills including 16mm techniques, studio and location video production, design, sound recording, editing and processing.

"Taste and Popular Culture"
An entry-level study of cross-cultural and historical concepts of taste and their manifestation in the popular arts of Japan and the West.

"Writers' Workshop"
An entry-level workshop on the practical side of writing.

"Interface: The Poetics of Words and Music"

An advanced study of how words and song and music can speak.

"Mass Media, Popular Culture and Folklore"

An entry-level study of how the cultures of Latin America have influenced mainstream European-American culture.

Studies in Communications are strengthened by combining a strong Liberal Arts background with one or more of the programs described above. In addition to these programs, as an advanced student you may work on an individual contract with a faculty member or an internship which helps you make the jump from school to the work world. There are also opportunities to work with faculty and staff on media production projects.

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The Learning Environment

Evergreen challenges you to think independently and creatively. You will find that your teachers encourage you to develop your potential and your interests as a student by working productively with others rather than competing with them. Evergreen faculty provide written evaluation rather than grades to reflect your achievements.

Life After Evergreen

Overall, Evergreen graduates enjoy unusual success. In our most recent placement survey, 90% of our graduates who responded reported they are employed, in graduate school or in other placements of their choice. A sample of placements of Evergreen Communications graduates includes KING-TV, KXLY-News, Channel 13, Westsound Recording, The University of Washington, Stanford and Boston University.

Evergreen is a public, liberal arts college of 3000 students, offering Bachelor's and Master's degrees. Tuition is \$537 per quarter for Washington state residents and \$1883 per quarter for non-residents. For further information about Evergreen and for help in planning your studies in Communications, please contact:

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