

## Communication

Faculty Qualifications Matrix - Communications			
APSU Course Rubric	Minimum Faculty Qualifications	Acceptable Alternative Qualifications	GTA Instructor of Record
COMM 1XXX or COMM 2XXX	Master's degree in communication or master's degree (in any discipline) with at least 18 graduate semester hours in communication.	Master's degree in discipline other than COMM with 10+ years of professional experience in the field of study if the experience, training, and expertise clearly adds value to student learning outcomes. For the applied communication courses (ie. Video and/or Audio production, Journalism, Web design, etc.) experience, training, and expertise of the faculty member may be considered as comparable to the academic requirements of a Master's degree in Communication if the experience, training, and expertise clearly adds value to student learning outcomes.	Enrolled graduate students with a minimum of 18 graduate credit hours in Communication. Must have a designated faculty supervisor in the teaching discipline, regular in-service training, and planned evaluations.
COMM 3XXX or COMM 4XXX	Master's degree in communication or master's degree (in any discipline) with at least 18 graduate semester hours in communication.	Master's degree in discipline other than COMM with 10+ years of professional experience in the field of study if the experience, training, and expertise clearly adds value to student learning outcomes. For the applied communication courses (ie. Video and/or Audio production, Journalism, Web design, etc.) experience, training, and expertise of the faculty member may be considered as comparable to the academic requirements of a Master's degree in Communication if the experience, training, and expertise clearly adds value to student learning outcomes.	N/A
COMM 5XXX	PHD. in communication or related field with a minimum of 18 hours in Communication	Masters degree in Communication with a minimum of 10+ years of professional experience in the field of study.	N/A