Comprehensive Research Training
Our curriculum provides a strong foundation in humanistic and social science theories and methods. Our research areas of strength include global media, sports media, digital media, health/science communication, journalism studies, and critical/cultural studies.

Individualized Mentorship
Faculty work closely with graduate students to identify their professional goals as well as collaborate on research studies and grant-funded projects. Faculty, students, and recent graduates regularly publish books and journal articles in top venues in the field.

Supportive Community
Our school prioritizes student well-being as well as academic success. Our collaborative and cooperative community supports mental health, work-life balance, and diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Generous Funding
Admitted doctoral students receive four years of funding in the form of teaching and research assistantships, which provide salary stipends, tuition remission, and benefits. Students also receive up to $2,500 per year in research and travel funding. There are several additional research awards and travel grants available through the university.