

**Department of Communication
International Scholar in Residence Program**

The Department of Communication is a community of faculty and graduate students exploring “the strategic use of discourse in the public sphere.” Our approaches to research focus on three different areas of work: communication science, public relations, rhetoric and political culture. We welcome scholars from throughout the world who share these interests and a commitment to an active research program.

Because we receive numerous requests from international faculty seeking to spend time in our department, we ask that those contemplating visits begin their contact with us by outlining their vision and expectations for their time in our department. To that end, we ask that a portfolio be forwarded containing the following:

- *Curriculum Vitae* representing your career work.
- Account of the goals, objectives, and anticipated benefits envisioned from your time in our department. Be explicit about why you believe our department is a proper venue for this vision.
- Description of your anticipated activities while in the department. This may include a description of proposed research projects, seminars and classes you wish to attend, consultation with and mentoring by our faculty, visits to Washington area resources, and other specific plans.
- Identification of the primary faculty member and any other faculty members with whom you expect to work closely. Please explain the reason for these expectations.
- An explicit list of what you expect will be provided by the department and the University of Maryland. Such a list should include financial or in-kind support, physical space, campus privileges, staffing, classroom access, mentoring, joint research participation, academic title during the visit, and any other expectations that you may have on or beyond the campus that you envision as the responsibility of the department or the University. *Please do not assume any elements necessary to a successful visit are provided by the department; describe expectations explicitly and thoroughly.*
- Details of your plans for the visit including dates of arrival and departure and your general plans for accommodations while in the University area.
- One or two letters supporting your work are welcomed but are not required for initial consideration.

Thank you for your interest in our department.

Please submit this material electronically to our Department Chair in a single pdf file.