

## Instructions Concerning Writing Sample

### Application for Admission to M.A. Program in Communication

The writing sample is an important part of the application packet. It is just as important as your GRE scores and your undergraduate GPA. Please do not submit a writing sample that represents a work product (e.g., a press release, newsletter, or a report). The writing sample needs to be either an academic paper written in one of your college courses or a four-to-five-page essay written about some aspect of communication. Regardless of which type of writing sample you submit, the members of the admissions committee look for the same qualities. At a minimum, we expect the paper to be well organized, engaging, free of typing and grammatical errors, and clearly written. If you construct a writing sample specifically for your application packet, please write on a communication topic and make references to the communication literature. Please indicate the origin of your writing sample.