

Seeking to further your education in **Writing & Rhetoric?**



Consider Miami University's

MA and PhD in Composition & Rhetoric



Developing Scholars & Professionals Since 1981

In the wooded hills of Oxford, Ohio, we at Miami University strive to create an environment where our graduate students in Composition and Rhetoric can experience **individualized learning, mentorship & community, and research in action.**



Individualized Learning: Our Curriculum

Graduate students encounter a **breadth of disciplinary knowledge** with foundational courses in the histories and theories of composition and rhetoric. Students will also take courses in research methods to help prepare them for both academic and professional research.

We also encourage graduate students to **dive deep into their own individualized research areas**, and many pursue additional scholarly certifications, independent studies, and interdisciplinary courses while at Miami. We regularly offer special topics courses in:

- Professional Writing
- Intercultural Rhetorics
- Writing Program Administration
- Public Rhetorics
- Digital Composition
- Composition Research & Pedagogy



Mentorship & Community: Our Faculty

With 14 graduate faculty, our graduate program is **committed to small cohorts and individualized mentoring.** Graduate students have opportunities to work directly with faculty whose research ranges from public, intercultural, and comparative rhetorics; digital media; professional writing; composition theory and pedagogy; writing across the curriculum theory and practice; and writing program administration. Students have the opportunity to work directly with our faculty with small seminar classes and individualized mentoring.

Our faculty are also **committed to enacting what the fields of rhetoric and writing know about teaching and learning**, as evidenced by our recent redesign of the comprehensive exam; the new exam invites students to engage in process-based writing and collaborative conversational inquiry.

Contact Information

For more information about the program, email our graduate director, Dr. Madelyn Detloff, (detloffmm@MiamiOH.edu) or visit <https://www.miamioh.edu/comprhet>



Scan here to meet with Dr. Detloff!



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Research in Action: Your Opportunities

Graduate students have a **wide range of rich opportunities** to participate in teaching, research, and professionalization that will help shape them to become successful scholar-teachers in higher education and prepare them for a number of growing industries and professional writing:

- Our graduate students **teach and conduct research in a wide range of courses**, from first year composition, business writing, technical writing, social media content strategy, and composition pedagogy.
- Graduate students can research and work as writing consultants, writing program administrators, and workshop facilitators in Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) and writing center programming at **The Howe Center for Writing Excellence**, a one-of-a-kind site for supporting writing from all disciplines, with a \$15 million endowment committed to the teaching, support, and study of writing.
- In addition to teaching, our **innovative first-year writing program** provides opportunities for graduate students to edit our composition textbook, Rhethawks, and work as an assistant director in our Composition office, which facilitates a first-of-its-kind portfolio placement system.

Graduate students can **see their research in action** with each of these opportunities in our program, and many have gone on to turn that research into publications. In part because of this, our placement rating among a wide range of institutions and professions remains high.

Admissions Deadline

The deadline for applications to MA and PhD programs is December 15, 2023. Application for admission involves submission of materials to Miami University's Graduate School. GRE scores are not required for admission.



Hear directly from our graduate students about their experiences!

