INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

The following documents are required for application to School of Communication graduate programs and should be uploaded to the FSU online application.

Doctoral Degree Program - required documents to be uploaded:

- 1. **Document #1: An applicant statement,** addressing the following questions:
 - 1. What are your career goals; that is, what do you plan to be doing in five years and in 10 years?
 - 2. Why have you chosen to apply to our doctoral program?
 - 3. What experiences and competencies make you a strong candidate for our program (research skills, computer literacy, teaching experience, awards, etc.)?

Upload Process: Before logging into the online application system, save your applicant statement in an electronic format (Word, PDF, Etc.). In the online application system please click on the Supporting Document section and upload your written work sample as Document #1. Please follow the system upload directions.

2. **Document #2: A sample of written work:** Examples are an entire thesis, a thesis chapter, or a research paper.

Upload Process: Before logging into the online application system, save your written work sample in an electronic format (Word, PDF. Etc.). In the online application system please click on the Supporting Document section and upload your written work sample as Document #2. Please follow the system upload directions.

3. Document #3: Evidence of the successful completion of a master's thesis or major research project.

Upload Process: Before logging into the online application system, save your master's thesis or major research project in an electronic format. In the online application system, please click on the Supporting Document section and upload your master's thesis or major research project as Document #3. Please follow the system upload directions.

4. **Three letters of recommendation:** Letters should provide an accurate assessment of the applicant's accomplishments and ability to succeed in graduate school and in the workplace. Recommendations from former professors and employers are preferred.

Upload Process: Before logging into the online application system, collect the names, email addresses and postal addresses of your three recommendation providers. In the online application system, click on the Recommendation link and upload your recommendation provider information as directed. The application system will email your recommendation providers and request that they submit a recommendation online. It is important that you have the correct email addresses for your recommendation providers.

Master's Degree Program - required documents to be uploaded:

- 1.. **Document #1: An applicant statement,** addressing the following questions:
 - 1. In which master's degree program are you most interested?
 - 2. What are your short and long-term career goals? What do you plan to be doing in five years and in 10 years?
 - 3. Why have you chosen to apply to our master's program?
 - 4. What experiences and competencies make you a strong candidate for our program (internships, work experience, computer literacy, awards, etc.)?

Upload Process: Before logging into the online application system, save your applicant statement in an electronic format (Word, PDF, Etc.). In the online application system, please click on the Supporting Document section and upload your written work sample as Document #1. Please follow the system upload directions.

2. **Document #2: A sample of written work (optional).** An example is a research or professional article.

Upload Process: Before logging into the online application system, save your written work sample in an electronic format (Word, PDF. Etc.). In the online application system, please click on the Supporting Document section and upload your written work sample as Document #2. Please follow the system upload directions.

3. **Three letters of recommendation:** Letters should provide an accurate assessment of the applicant's accomplishments and ability to succeed in graduate school and in the work place. Recommendations from former professors and employers are preferred. Letters should be on organizational letterhead.

Upload Process: Before logging into the online application system, collect the names, email addresses and postal addresses of your three recommendation providers. In the online application system, click on the Recommendation link and upload your recommendation provider information as directed. The application system will email your recommendation providers and request that they submit a recommendation online. It is important that you have the correct email addresses for your recommendation providers.