

WELCOME 2020-21 COHORT!

MACTS welcomed 8 new students this fall:

Joseph Bober, Burluson, TX
Zachory Muniz, Fort Myers, FL
Andrew Obeng, Frederick, MD
Rebecca Pool, Gainesville, GA
Agassy Rodriguez, Miami, FL
David Schaedel, Greenville, SC
Thomas Simmons, Charleston, SC
Carla White, North Bay, Ontario, Canada

Research interests among the cohort span all four department focus areas: media, sport, health, and strategic communication, and students have a diversity of educational and professional background and goals.

CHALLENGING TIMES

The importance of studying the relationships between communication, technology, and society has perhaps never been more clear. Through research with faculty, course projects, and online teaching and learning, MACTS students are applying theory to practice to investigate issues and search for solutions related to COVID-19.

Fall 2021 applications due February 1
Rolling admission through March 1



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SAI MIKKILINENI (MACTS '21)

was named a 2020-21 Presidential Diversity & Inclusion Career Development Graduate

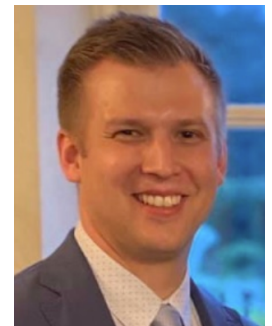


Student Fellow by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC).

Congratulations, Sai!

COMM WELCOMES NEW FACULTY, INCLUDING ALUM

Dr. Brandon Boatwright (MACTS '13) returned to the Department of Communication as an Assistant Professor of Sport Communication and Director of the Social Media Center (SMLC).



After completing the MACTS program in 2013, Dr. Boatwright served as a Lecturer in the department before entering the Ph.D. in Communication and Information Sciences at University of Tennessee in 2017.

The department welcomed three additional new faculty members: Dr. Virginia Harrison (Ph.D., Penn State University), Dr. Jordan Morehouse (Ph.D., UNC-Chapel Hill), and Dr. Skye Wingate (Ph.D., UC-Davis).

Learn more about our new faculty [here!](#)



Caitlin Anderson (left) and Bailey Troutman (right) with their advisor, Dr. James Gilmore (center)

2020 GRADS BEGIN PH.D. PROGRAMS

Caitlin Anderson (MACTS '20) and Bailey Troutman (MACTS '20) join a growing list of MACTS graduates that have pursued doctoral study. Anderson entered the Ph.D. program in Learning Sciences at Clemson, and Troutman started a Ph.D. in Communication at University of Colorado-Boulder.

In addition to these universities, additional MACTS graduates have pursued doctorates at other top institutions, including Ohio University, Ohio State University, University of Texas at Austin, Texas A&M, University of Tennessee, West Virginia University, Cornell University, Florida State University, University of Oregon and others.



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ALUMNI SURVEYED

In a survey conducted in Fall 2019, alumni expressed the MACTS degree had prepared them well for their current position. Three common themes emerged in open-ended responses regarding strengths of the program: faculty accessibility and support, intellectual diversity, and flexibility. Alumni also pointed to the sense of community in the program and the relationships they built.

“ I really enjoyed my time at Clemson and the academic challenges... in addition to the life long friends and colleagues I made during my time in the MACTS program. ”

CONGRATULATIONS, 2019-20 MACTS GRADS!

Caitlin Anderson
Lauren Andrews
Megan Courage
Kayla Craig
Elaine Day
Kinley Durant
Joey Fontana

Hannah Halusker
Sherman Jones
Madeline Pace
Alexander Scott
Mackenzie Smith
Chad Smith
Bailey Troutman

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