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NCA Insider

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NCA's Teleconferences for Members

Join Betsy Bach, Ph.D., Cynthia Cooper, Ph.D., and Jeff Kerssen-Griep, Ph.D. for a discussion of the program review process on Tuesday, September 13 at 12:45 p.m. Eastern time. Both Jeff and Cynthia recently led their departments through program review, and they will offer tips and guidance for writing the self-study, organizing reviewer visits, and communicating review results to upper administration.

As part of National Freedom of Speech Week (October 17-23, 2011), we have scheduled a CARD Call with Joan Mower, Director of Development and International Media Training at the Voice of America. Join us on Wednesday, October 19 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern.

To register, please email Dan Fogarty (dfogarty@natcom.org) and provide your name, affiliation and contact information. To view the CARD Call topics for the 2011-12 academic year, click [here](#).

[Chairs' Corner](#)

If you're hiring new faculty this fall, check out the [Department Management](#) section of the Chairs' Corner to find tips for conducting searches and hiring.

Data About the Discipline

Comprehensive List of Undergraduate Communication Departments

Attention department chairs! We have created a database of all communication departments at accredited undergraduate institutions. Before we post this information to the NCA website, we want your input. Look for an email in the next week with instructions for updating the data for your institution.

Survey of Job Postings

A survey of advertised teaching positions from NCA and AEJMC ranging from 2005-2010 is available on the NCA Website. You can see the results [here](#).

Funding 101

[Current RFP Tracker](#) – Updated July 26, 2011

The July 2011 Tracker has 25 new postings and over 60 pages of funding opportunities. Current funding opportunities for communication scholars include research grants, residential fellowships, travel funds, and awards. For questions, or to add information, contact Dan Fogarty (dfogarty@natcom.org).

Publications

Impact Factors

[Communication Monographs](#) is now the leading journal for original, theoretically grounded research on human communication. *Communication Monographs* is ranked number one in the Thomson Reuters, 2010 Journal Citation Reports® (JCR) with a 2010 Impact Factor (IF) of 2.029.

Volume 45 of *Free Speech Yearbook* Available Soon

NCA's *Free Speech Yearbook* publishes the most recent and relevant research pertaining to the U.S. First Amendment and free speech. Edited by Juliet Dee, Ph.D., University of Delaware, Volume 45 will be available for purchase at the [NCA Online Store](#) on August 15. [Click here](#) for more information.

Free Online Access to NCA Journals

To help celebrate the launch of the new website, [Taylor & Francis Online](#), Routledge, Taylor & Francis is providing free online access to all ten of NCA's journals for NCA members for the next few months. During this period of unrestricted access, NCA members must access the journals through the Members' Area of the NCA website at <https://web.natcom.org>. If you have any questions, please contact NCA at inbox@natcom.org.

iFirst Journals

Journal of Applied Communication Research (JACR) is now using an iFirst workflow. iFirst allows articles to be printed online before being placed in an issue. The first papers published ahead of print will appear shortly. For more information about JACR visit www.tandf.co.uk/journals/jacr.

[Virtual Faculty Lounge](#)

Want teaching ideas? Visit the [Virtual Faculty Lounge](#). A new module for teaching typical communication courses, complete with assignment suggestions, sample syllabi and interviews with experienced course instructors is now available. Look for interviews with Anne Nicotera, Ph.D., on Organizational Communication, Clay Warren, Ph.D., on Persuasion and Andrew Leddbetter, Ph.D., on Communication Theory.

We continue to expand the Virtual Faculty Lounge and are soliciting submissions for [Assign This](#) and the [Syllabi Collection](#). We've just posted a syllabus from a course designed to orient incoming majors to the discipline. If you have materials you would like to submit to the Virtual Faculty Lounge, please contact Brad Mello at bmello@natcom.org.

Additional Resources

Request for Proposals:

Projects or Events that Advance the Discipline of Communication

Deadline: October 3, 2011

NCA requests proposals for projects and events that will advance the discipline of communication. To see the full call visit www.natcom.org/grant. Contact Brad Mello (bmello@natcom.org) with questions.

National Freedom of Speech Week, October, 17–23, 2011

The 2011 National Freedom of Speech Week (NFSW) is scheduled for October 17–23. NCA is planning events and outreach initiatives to celebrate and share the importance of free speech, as well as highlight relevant scholarship. NCA calls on its membership to participate actively in NFSW by reaching out to their communities and on their campuses. Information and resources have been compiled to help you prepare for NFSW. For resources and up-to-date information, visit www.natcom.org/freespeechweek.

Committee on International Discussion and Debate (CIDD)

Sponsor a British Debater – Deadline August 2

Institutions interested in sponsoring British debaters this coming academic year are encouraged to contact Stephen Llano of St. John's University at steve.llano@gmail.com. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Career Resource: NCA Career Center

The [NCA Career Center](#) is an online resource that facilitates professional development for our members. The Career Center connects communication professionals with highly sought-after job opportunities. The site offers useful features for job seekers and employers, and includes a searchable database of job postings, access to a resume bank, and more.

The Career Center offers online and print advertising options. Ads that are to appear in print will be placed in *Spectra*, NCA's magazine, which is mailed four times a year to all NCA members. All print ads must be submitted via the Career Center and will also be posted online.

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