

# School of Communication Studies

## Undergraduate Newsletter

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### KCS begins an exciting new year

Kent Communication Society (KCS) is a student-run organization open to all undergraduate students regardless of their majors or minors.

KCS holds social, academic, and career-related events that focus on communication activities and fundraisers that benefit charitable organizations such as Relay 4 Life.

The organization meets every Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in room 146 at Taylor Hall and provides food and beverages.

All members have the chance to establish a solid history of involvement in a university-sanctioned organization.

Being an active member of KCS will help you build a complete resume and crucial networks that can aid in finding internships and possible careers. KCS dues of five dollars (\$5) per semester help defray the costs of



Clockwise: Jake Elkins, Victoria Humphreys, Natalie Moses, Bri Masirovits, Victoria Diana

food and the social activities. Follow KCS on the web at <http://www.kent.edu/comm/undergraduateprogram/kentcommsociety.cfm>, on Facebook at Kent Communication Society or Twitter at @KentCommSociety.

### Welcome new CCI advisor

Michael Bell is the newest addition to the COMM academic advising team.

Bell has joined Lorrie Hopp and Dr. Rozell Duncan in the COMM Studies office located at room 135 Taylor Hall to help students with their advising needs.



Michael Bell

Our advising staff aims to enhance the educational experience of each student and is committed to student success.

Schedule an appointment with an advisor today for graduation planning, graduation audits or general academic advising. Visit <http://www.kent.edu/comm/>

### Save The Date

**Homecoming:** Awards reception for School of Communication Studies Centennial Award recipient, alumni, undergraduate and graduate students. Friday, Oct. 19 at 6 p.m. Student Center Ballroom Balcony. RSVP to [kentcomm@kent.edu](mailto:kentcomm@kent.edu). Parade and Football Game Saturday, Oct. 20.

**Job Fair:** Thursday, Nov. 1. Student Center Ballroom. Go to <http://www.kent.edu/career/index.cfm>

**Spring pre-registration:** Monday, Oct. 8. Go to your FlashFAST website

### Join our Social Media Connections

Follow and like us on Facebook at Kent State University School of Communication Studies and Twitter at Comm Studies @KentCommStudies

Scan the QR code or visit us online at <http://www.kent.edu/comm/index.cfm>

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L. to R.: Lauren Henkin, Caitlin Shaffer, Anna Penta, Kelsey Derrick, Kristina Lee

### Comm Studies Welcomes Fall PSI Interns

The School of Communication Studies welcomes Personalized System of Instruction (PSI) student interns for 2012 fall semester—**Lauren Henkin, Caitlin Shaffer, Anna Penta, Kelsey Derrick, and Kristina Lee.**

The program provides an opportunity to assist in teaching the Introduction to Human Communication class, according to Jennifer McCullough, Ph.D., assistant professor and Basic Course Director.

Senior Lauren Henkin, from Beachwood, Ohio, majors in applied communication and minors in both public relations and writing. She wishes to enhance her professional experience and further develop her leadership skills while assisting a team of students with their coursework. Henkin is a sister of Alpha Xi Delta who loves to read, write and craft. She aspires to work in integrated communications for either literary or entertainment fields.

Senior Caitlin Shaffer, from Niles, Ohio, majors in organizational communication and minors in health communication. She is the President of Kent State's chapter of *To Write Love on Her Arms*. Shaffer's post-graduation plans include consulting and training in the healthcare field. She enjoys crafting, reading and traveling. She seeks to enhance her interpersonal skills and hopes her efforts will allow others to enjoy the School of Communication Studies as much as she does.

Junior Anna Penta, from Barberton, Ohio, majors in applied communication. She wants to improve her listening skills and learn to appropriately assist students who may find the Human Communication course challenging.

She says she also enjoys the

public speaking component of her major. Penta enjoys traveling, painting, playing the guitar and working at the local animal shelter. She wishes to succeed as a public relations, sales or marketing executive for a large or international fashion, art or music company.

Senior Kelsey Derrick, from Willowick, Ohio, majors in interpersonal communication. She hopes this internship will teach her to communicate more efficiently, effectively and professionally with students and young adults. She is an active member of the Alpha Phi sorority who enjoys reading, running and spending time with friends and family. Derrick hopes to pursue a master's degree in the near future and secure employment at a nonprofit organization or as a student academic advisor.

Junior Kristina Lee, from Forsyth, Montana, majors in interpersonal communication and minors in theater. Lee has participated in high school competitions that helped her feel more comfortable speaking to large audiences. She wants to learn techniques to amplify her public speaking abilities and groom her to be a better teacher, speaking coach and student mentor. She is involved with Kent Communication Society, Relay for Life and Alpha Psi Omega (Theatre and Dance Honorary Fraternity) and enjoys playing Ultimate Frisbee. Lee plans to pursue careers in event planning and as a professional speaking coach.

Students may apply the PSI as an internship, individual study, or practicum credit. To apply for the PSI internship or view other current internship opportunities, please visit [www.kent.edu/comm](http://www.kent.edu/comm)

### Architecture Library offers study space, Internet, KentLINK, OhioLINK access

In addition to the Communication Studies Computer Lab, students can use the Joseph F. Morbito Architecture Library in room 309 Taylor Hall for computers with Internet access and wireless access for portable devices. Students can access KentLINK and OhioLINK databases to request books and other library materials that may be conveniently delivered to the Architecture Library for pick-up.

Books belonging to the main library or any other campus library may be returned here. A convenient night drop for stu-

dents to return library materials after hours is available

A flatbed scanner is available for use and Flashcard accessible [only] copier and printer services.

Students might enjoy the study and small group meeting areas, which may come in handy when preparing for group presentations. The Architecture Library is open from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and 4 p.m.-8 p.m. Sunday.

You can "like" the Architecture Library on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/ksuarchlibrary](http://www.facebook.com/ksuarchlibrary).