

**Department Head  
Department of Communication  
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The Department of Communication at Boise State University invites applicants for the position of Department Head with rank of Associate Professor or Professor to support its complex mission of providing quality educational opportunities across a range of offerings in communication and media in a growing and diverse department. The successful candidate will have leadership and administrative experience that exhibits familiarity with the breadth of the communication discipline, skill at building consensus, and a proven record of accomplishments in research and teaching. The area of specialization is open. This is a twelve-month, tenured position with a teaching load of one course per semester and administrative responsibility for a department with 25 full-time members serving some 800 undergraduate majors and 20-30 master's candidates. See the position guidelines for Department Chairs at [academics.boisestate.edu/deptchairs/position-guidelines/](http://academics.boisestate.edu/deptchairs/position-guidelines/)

At a minimum, a candidate should have:

- A Ph.D. or a terminal degree in Communication or a closely related field;
- Evidence of exemplary teaching at the undergraduate level;
- A distinguished record of peer-reviewed research or creative activity consistent with the rank of Associate Professor or Professor;
- Relevant experience in administration.

The preferred candidate will have:

- Significant experience in leadership, governance, and administration;
- A background in curriculum and program development;
- Skill in faculty and staff management as well as student relations;
- Expertise in financial and facility management;
- Experience in communication, advocacy and external relations;
- Evidence of exemplary teaching at the graduate level;
- A specialty in one or more of the Department's areas: Journalism and Media Studies, Media Production, Public Communication, Public Relations, or Relational & Organizational Communication.

Recognized as a university on the move, Boise State University aspires to be a metropolitan research university known for the finest undergraduate education in the region and outstanding research and graduate programs that foster student success, lifelong learning, community engagement, innovation and creativity. Located in the heart of a thriving metropolitan area, Boise, Idaho is frequently touted for its healthy lifestyle, proximity to the mountains, its riverside campus, its thriving local arts community, numerous high tech start-ups, low crime rate, and affordable cost of living.

**Salary and Benefits:** Salary will be based on qualifications and experience. Boise State University offers an excellent benefits package to eligible employees. For more information visit: [hrs.boisestate.edu/careers/benefits/](http://hrs.boisestate.edu/careers/benefits/) .

To apply: Please submit 1) a cover letter indicating your interest and qualifications for this position, 2) a CV that includes employment history (detailing dates of employment), and 3) contact information for five professional references. Please submit application materials via Interfolio: [apply.interfolio.com/30729](http://apply.interfolio.com/30729)

Review of documents will begin: October 15, 2015 and will continue until finalists are identified.

Preferred start date: July 1, 2016

About the Department: [communication.boisestate.edu](http://communication.boisestate.edu)

About the University: [boisestate.edu](http://boisestate.edu)

About the City of Boise: [boisechamber.org](http://boisechamber.org)

Background Investigations: Any offer of employment at Boise State University will be contingent upon the successful completion of a criminal background investigation and may require a credit and/or motor vehicle background investigation depending on the position. To view the University's full Background Investigations policy, please go to [policy.boisestate.edu](http://policy.boisestate.edu)

Drug-Free Workplace: It is the policy of Boise State University to maintain a drug-free workplace and campus. For more information about this policy, please go to [policy.boisestate.edu](http://policy.boisestate.edu)

Jeanne Clery Statement: Notice of Availability of Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

The Boise State University 2014 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is provided to students, faculty, staff, and the public as part of the University's commitment to safety and security on campus, and in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. The 2014 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report for Boise State University is available at: [security.boisestate.edu/wp-content/blogs.dir/1/files/2014/09/2014-Annual-Security-and-Fire-Safety-Report.pdf](http://security.boisestate.edu/wp-content/blogs.dir/1/files/2014/09/2014-Annual-Security-and-Fire-Safety-Report.pdf).

The report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on-campus; in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by Boise State; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. It also includes the annual fire safety report and institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies for sexual assault, drug and alcohol use, and other matters.