

UTEP Dept. of Communication  
**COMM 5350: Directed Study (Master's Thesis Project)**  
**CRN: 17322**  
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Times: Weekly or biweekly at mutual convenience of student and instructor

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***Course Information: What this class is about and what we will do***

For M.A. students choosing to pursue a thesis project instead of a thesis, this class replaces the thesis class. Course will be meet on a weekly or bi-weekly basis depending on the progress of the student on their thesis project prospectus or the project itself. Student and instructor will meet over the course of two or more semesters depending on the student's progress to prepare the student for writing the prospectus, defending the prospectus, planning and completing the project, and defending the project. Subject matter and recommended readings will vary according to the student's thesis project.

***Course Resources: Where you can go for assistance***

UTEP provides a variety of student services and support:

Technology Resources

- [Help Desk](#): Students experiencing technological challenges (email, Blackboard, software, etc.) can submit a ticket to the UTEP Helpdesk for assistance. Contact the Helpdesk via phone, email, chat, website, or in person if on campus.

Academic Resources

- [UTEP Library](#): Access a wide range of resources including online, full-text access to thousands of journals and eBooks plus reference service and librarian assistance for enrolled students.
- [University Writing Center \(UWC\)](#): Submit papers here for assistance with writing style and formatting, ask a tutor for help and explore other writing resources.
- [Math Tutoring Center \(MaRCS\)](#): Ask a tutor for help and explore other available math resources.
- [History Tutoring Center \(HTC\)](#): Receive assistance with writing history papers, get help from a tutor and explore other history resources.
- [RefWorks](#): A bibliographic citation tool; check out the RefWorks tutorial and Fact Sheet and Quick-Start Guide.

Individual Resources

- [Military Student Success Center](#): Assists personnel in any branch of service to reach their educational goals.
- [Center for Accommodations and Support Services](#): Assists students with ADA-related accommodations for coursework, housing, and internships.
- [Counseling and Psychological Services](#): Provides a variety of counseling services including individual, couples, and group sessions as well as career and disability assessments.