



## University of Washington

# State Government Communication Program

Department of Communication

Seattle, WA

### Partnership

During winter quarter students are paired with local and state media outlets to cover news from the statehouse during the legislative session.

#### Lead faculty

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#### Websites

[Journalism & Public Interest Communication](#)

### Impacts

Students are partnered with a variety of news organizations and their work is published. The number of stories and reach varies on the partner organization.

### Students

50,000 at the University of Washington

800 in the Department of Communication

4 in the partnership, per semester

#### Student work

The work is assigned and edited by the staff of the new organization the student is partnered with during the program.

#### Course name

COM 465 State Government Communications

### Faculty/staff

The program has a director that is responsible for the application process, creating and managing partnerships, and any support the students need throughout the term.

### Funding sources

The program has a permanent endowment from the University of Washington. It also receives funding from the partner organization to supplement the living expenses of the students.