

## DOC “Populates” ECA with 8 Student Presentations

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The Department of Communication was well represented in Philadelphia at the 100th Annual conference of the Eastern Communication Association (ECA). Eight DOC students or recent alumni presented competitively judged papers and offered poster presentations.

Liz Warfel (CMT '08) and Katelyn Ecker (CMT '08) each presented their research on a Communication and Technology panel. Mike Saffran (CMT '08) and Megan Hiltz (CMT '08; Liz Warfel presented on Megan's behalf) presented as part of a Media Communication panel, Amanda Wade (CMT '08) presented at a Thursday Media Communication panel, Cristin Sick (CMT '06) at a graduate poster session, and Sarah Exley (PTC '08, CMT in progress) and Christie Ong (APR '09) offered poster presentations at the undergraduate session.

Congratulations to Liz Warfel and Katelyn Ecker who each won “Top Paper” awards in competition with seasoned researchers and with blind judging for their research. This is a terrific and prestigious achievement!

Also representing the Department was Dr. Diane Hope who presented a paper and Dr. Susan Barnes who was a panelist.

A gathering at the nearby Dark Horse Pub brought together current faculty and students as well as alumni Nicole Robinson (PTC '06, CMT '08), currently a Ph.D. student at George Mason University, and Remzi Gumus (PTC '93), currently Senior Designer at the New York City advertising agency R/GA. Thanks go to Kerri Lehmbeck, the Department's Alumni Relations coordinator, for helping to arrange this event.