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# Public Relations FAQ

#### What is a Public Relations Specialist?

PR Specialists communicate with the public on behalf of clients, such as companies, organizations or governments. A PR Specialist spreads employer's or client's messages to the public using different mediums in effective ways.

## What kinds of attributes should a person that wants to go into the PR field posess?

-Clear and effective communication skills
-Creativity
-Initiative
-Good judgment
-An outgoing personality or an extrovert personality
-Self-confidence
-Writing skills
-Editing skills
-Problem solving skills
-Decision making skills
-Research skills
-The ability to work with others
-Background in software such as InDesign and Dreamweaver

### What different types of jobs are available in the field?

-Public Relations Assistant -Advertising Copywriter -Marketing Specialist -Publicist -Account Executive -Corporate Public Affairs -Media Planner -Event Planner -Publicity Manager

-Sales Manager -News Writer -Journalist -Advertising Manager -Lobbyist -Development Officer -Media Analyst -Creative Director -Public Opinion Researcher

# Why SHIP?

-All Public Relations professors have professional real-world Public Relations experience

-Department size makes more courses available

-Students get more hands on and practical experience -SUPR-Shippensburg's student run PR firm -PRSSA- Public Relations Student Society of America -Requires students to do real campaign with real client

-Largest of the 3 sequences in the Communication/Journalism department

-Offers graduate program with PR emphasis

-Stresses the importance of internships

- -Offers help finding internships
- -Offers help with job placement

-Provisionally accredited





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