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PhD in Communication: I hope to advise students interested in the nascent field of computational journalism. Ideal backgrounds would include experience with computer programming and statistics, and a desire to apply this experience to helping solve the problems involved in public affairs reporting. Of particular interest are questions relating to how to lower the costs of discovering stories and how to increase reader/viewer engagement through better personalization and storytelling. For related work, see <http://cacm.acm.org/magazines/2011/10/131400-computational-journalism/fulltext>

Coterm MA in Media Studies: I am happy to serve as a Media Studies coterm advisor if you have already taken one of my courses or if I have previously served as your undergraduate advisor (e.g., pre-major advisor, Comm Dept advisor, or STS Program advisor).

Journalism MA: As director of the Stanford Journalism Program, I hope that you will explore the information we provide about the program at <http://journalism.stanford.edu/>. Answers to questions frequently asked by potential program applicants are at <http://journalism.stanford.edu/admissions/faq>.

Undergraduate Comm Department advising: Katrin Wheeler assigns students declaring a major in Communication to advisors.