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Four faculty members from the University of Montana Department of Interpersonal Communication participated in the International Communication Association (ICA) Convention April 14-17 in Portland, Ore.

Dr. William W. Wilmot, an associate professor, presented a paper entitled "The Influence of Personal Conflict Styles of Teachers on Student Attitudes Toward Conflict," and Dr. Leslie A. Baxter, an assistant professor, presented two papers--"Credibility Proneness and Information Processing" and "Assessing Change in Conflict Relationships."

Dr. Wesley N. Shellen, also an assistant professor in the department, presented a paper to the Information Systems Division of the conference which reports his research on how language choice affects the way people comprehend language and speech.

During the convention in Portland, Dr. Duane D. Pettersen, an assistant professor of interpersonal communication at UM, was a guest critic for the Health Communication Division of ICA's "Top Three" critic program. He also presented a respondent paper for the Intercultural Communication Division of the conference entitled "Ethnocentrism in Intercultural Conflicts."