

COMM 111: Fundamentals of Oral Communication

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate understanding of the self and its effect on interpersonal communication
2. Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively in small group settings
3. Effectively research, analyze and critically evaluate sources for written and oral presentations
4. Demonstrate improvement in the preparation and presentation of speeches to inform and persuade
5. Demonstrate effective listening skills and provide ethical and constructive feedback
6. Recognize public communication strategies and fallacies
7. Identify communication skills conducive to finding a job
8. Identify ways language and culture shape communication
9. Demonstrate communication competence with social media

COMM 235: Small Group Communication and Team Building

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Recognize individual communication styles and personal differences that affect group dynamics
2. Recognize their own communication-management and decision-making styles
3. Identify effective leadership
4. Demonstrate appropriate and effective communication in small groups, teams, and other situations
5. Demonstrate the ability to cooperate in small groups to resolve conflict, make decisions, and solve problems
6. Apply the principles of systems thinking to group communication situations
7. Feel more comfortable working in team and group settings

COMM 237: Interpersonal Communication

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate understanding of self-talk and its impact on communication with others
2. Understand the effect of nonverbal behavior on interpersonal communication
3. Demonstrate more confidence and communication competence in all interpersonal settings, including family, friends and the workplace
4. Demonstrate active and dialogic listening skills
5. Apply conflict management and problem-solving techniques in various relationships

COMM 241: Public Speaking

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate effective research, analysis and critical evaluation of sources for written and oral presentations
2. Understand the rhetorical situation (e.g., issue, context, audience, possible constraints) as it applies to public speaking
3. Demonstrate the ability to effectively inform or persuade an audience in a manner that enhances understanding

4. Demonstrate the ability to speak clearly and effectively in various situations, from answering questions in a college classroom to facilitating a meeting in the workplace
5. Demonstrate critical thinking skills and methods to analyze their own and others' beliefs, attitudes and values
6. Demonstrate effective listening skills and provide ethical and constructive feedback
7. Recognize common fallacies

COMM 291: Communication Internship

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Successfully perform the required tasks for the specific internship
2. Demonstrate professional behavior in the workplace
3. Work independently and cooperatively
4. Demonstrate critical thinking and analysis

COMM 294: Communication Practicum

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Work independently and cooperatively on the specific project
2. Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills
3. Demonstrate professional behavior
4. Demonstrate critical thinking and analysis

COMM 320: Argumentation and Debate

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the role of argumentation in historical and contemporary society
2. Evaluate the nature of debate in professional, political, and interpersonal environments
3. Recognize common fallacies in reasoning
4. Understand and apply the principles of logic, reasoning, and ethics in constructing arguments
5. Utilize research to build sound arguments
6. Effectively construct and deconstruct numerous styles of argumentation
7. Effectively participate in academic debate

COMM 330: Intercultural Communication

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Define their sense of self as part of their culture and co-cultures
2. Recognize cultural stereotyping, discrimination and racism
3. Understand the relationship between culture and communication
4. Identify cultural values and the impact such values have on the communication process
5. Identify obstacles to effective intercultural encounters
6. Compare communication patterns among various cultures
7. Recognize and compare American verbal and nonverbal communication patterns with other cultures
8. Utilize intercultural communication skills to analyze inherent belief, values and attitudes
9. Perform basic intercultural research

COMM 335: Organizational Communications

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Define their sense of self within the work place
2. Understand and explain theoretical approaches to studying organizations
3. Identify effective team building and leadership strategies
4. Demonstrate appropriate and effective communication skills as a leader, follower and peer in an organization
5. Demonstrate appropriate and effective communication in groups and teams
6. Work cooperative and collaboratively
7. Demonstrate the ability to speak clearly and effectively in various situations, from interpersonal communication to facilitating a meeting in the workplace to public speaking
8. Write effective memos, reports, and other documents

COMM 340: Media Studies

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate ability to critically interpret and understand mass media messages in relation to culture and society
2. Understand media structure, ownership and economics
3. Understand how media ownership influences the media message
4. Recognize stereotyping, discrimination and racism in media messages
5. Effectively research, analyze and critically evaluate sources for written and oral presentations
6. Demonstrate critical understanding of mass media messages in written and oral presentations
7. Be more effective consumers of ideas, products, and media

COMM 380: Communication Theory

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Understand the need for theoretical explanations for communication behavior
2. Develop criteria for evaluating theory
3. Identify and explain key theories and supporting research as well as possible flaws
4. Discover relationships among communication and other social science theories
5. Demonstrate effective research, analysis and critical evaluation of sources for written and oral presentations
6. Find useful applications of theory in their lives

COMM 418: Advanced Studies in Human Communication

Selected topics: Student Learning Objectives vary with subject matter

COMM 451: Gendered Interpersonal Communication

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Explain and appreciate gender differences and similarities in communication
2. Critically analyze issues of gender and communication
3. Understand the roles of age and culture in relationship to the

- development of gender attitudes and behavior
4. Recognize the influence and role of gender in their own lives
 5. Demonstrate ability to critically analyze interpersonal communications
 6. Make rational and realistic choices in resolving interpersonal breakdowns

COMM 452: Family Communication

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Understand the elements of words, thoughts, emotions in family communication
2. Understand communication patterns in family communication
3. Increase the range of options available in interpersonal family communication
4. Explain and appreciate family differences in communication
5. Demonstrate increased ability to analyze family communication
6. Understand strategies for building strong family communication

COMM 460: Rhetorical Criticism

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Understand communication as a symbolic process
2. Understand how symbols are used to affect audiences in text, audio and visual, and other media
3. Quickly recognize valid logical speech and fallacies
4. Examine the intent as well as the context of communication
5. Demonstrate skill at using language effectively
6. Understand rhetorical scholarship

COMM 491: Communication Internship

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Successfully perform the required tasks for the specific internship
2. Demonstrate professional behavior in the workplace
3. Work independently and cooperatively
4. Demonstrate critical thinking and analysis

COMM 494: Communication Practicum

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Work independently and cooperatively on the specific project
2. Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills
3. Demonstrate professional behavior
4. Demonstrate critical thinking and analysis