

COMMUNICATION (COMM)

COMM 101 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3 credits)

General Education: Oral Communication

Skills and techniques of effective speaking. Typically Offered: Fall and Spring.

COMM 111 Introduction to Communication (3 credits)

Introduction to historical and intellectual development of the primary subfields within communication, including interpersonal, small group, intercultural, digital, and organizational communication, in order to build competence as critical consumers of communication content. Typically Offered: Fall.

COMM 150 Online Oral Communication (3 credits)

General Education: Oral Communication

This course provides the skills, techniques, and knowledge needed to engage in effective oral communication in online contexts.

COMM 200 (s) Seminar (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged

COMM 203 (s) Workshop (1-16 credits, max arranged)

Credit arranged. May be graded P/F.

Prereqs: Permission

COMM 204 (s) Special Topics (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged

COMM 233 Interpersonal Communication (3 credits)

General Education: Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing
Communication concepts and skills applied to relationship management; communication process, listening, self-disclosure, perception, conflict.

COMM 240 Small Group Communication (3 credits)

An introduction to theory and practice of communicating in small, task-oriented groups. Skills include developing group problem-solving strategies, enhancing awareness of small group dynamics, and building an understanding of the theoretical foundation(s) of small group communication.

COMM 299 (s) Directed Study (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged

COMM 335 Intercultural Communication (3 credits)

General Education: International, Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing
Survey of current theories and research on intercultural communication; development of critical thinking skills in regard to intercultural interaction and communication styles. Typically Offered: Fall and Spring.

COMM 340 Family Communication (3 credits)

This course provides an overview of family communication theories and applications by examining functional and dysfunctional family communication patterns and relationships, diverse family systems, roles and rules in the family, and power dynamics.

COMM 347 Persuasion (3 credits)

Persuasive communication principles as they guide social interactions and persuasive dialogue.

COMM 355 Organizational Communication (3 credits)

Overview of current theory and research in organizational communication; examining organizational structure, organizational culture, leadership, organizational change, management systems and power relationships.

COMM 359 Communication Research Methods (3 credits)

Aims and methods of quantitative and qualitative research designs used by communication scholars.

Prereqs: STAT 153, STAT 251, or PSYC 215; Communication major; Junior standing

COMM 400 (s) Seminar (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged

COMM 403 (s) Workshop (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged May be graded P/F.

Prereqs: Permission

COMM 404 (s) Special Topics (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged

COMM 410 Conflict Management (3 credits)

General Education: Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing
Principles of effective conflict management in various settings; emphasis on styles of conflict, power, goals, strategies and intervention techniques as well as negotiation in the conflict process. Typically Offered: Fall and Spring.

COMM 421 Nonverbal Communication (3 credits)

Current theories, research and applied principles of nonverbal communication; in-depth examination of human social and biological development of nonverbal codes, and the role of nonverbal expression in intercultural, interspecies, mediated and organizational contexts.

COMM 431 Applied Business and Professional Communication (3 credits)

Principles, skills development, and practical applications of public communication within business and other organizational contexts; emphasis on using media for creating business presentations and on the role of effective communication in career management and civic and community development. Recommended Preparation: COMM 101 or COMM 150; COMM 355.

COMM 432 Gender and Communication (3 credits)

General Education: American Diversity

The nature of interpersonal communication and gender; identification, interpretation, and analyses of theories that offer explanations of gender and culture in interpersonal interactions. Typically Offered: At least once per year.

COMM 438 Crisis Communication (3 credits)

Communication and crisis are inherently intertwined; crisis necessitates communication from individuals, organizations, and stakeholders across a myriad of internal and external contexts. As such, this course focuses on key communication factors of crisis and crisis management. Students will examine theoretical foundations and strategies and apply practical principles to crisis communication planning and management with internal and external stakeholders.

COMM 453 Communication Theory (3 credits)

General Education: Senior Experience

A survey of established theories and theoretical traditions in the Communication discipline, with an emphasis on understanding how theory is developed and applied to solve real world problems.

Prereqs: Communication major, Junior standing

COMM 456 Nonprofit Fundraising (3 credits)

Explores theory and practice of fundraising for nonprofit groups. Surveys public campaigns and communication strategies, fundraising methods, ethics of fundraising, and fundraising leadership/management. Students will develop methods of evaluation for fundraising, and do so by case studies and preparation for fundraising campaigns.

COMM 460 Technology and Communication (3 credits)

An introduction to theories and processes of technology in communication. Areas covered include factors that distinguish mediated from face-to-face interaction, theories of mediated interpersonal communication, self-presentation online, Internet-based relationships, and online communities. Ultimately, this course is designed to critically examine how technology alters human communication and our ability to form meaningful interpersonal relationships. Typically Offered: Varies.

COMM 491 Communication and Aging (3 credits)

General Education: American Diversity

Gen Ed: American Diversity. A communication perspective is adopted to examine the aging process and the ability of individuals to successfully adapt to aging; issues addressed are theory, research and factors associated with communication and aging.

COMM 492 Dark Side of Communication (3 credits)

Interdisciplinary study of how individuals cope with difficult, problematic, distressing, and disruptive social interaction. Topics included are the "hidden and forbidden" aspects of personal relationships that are often neglected by social scientists. Recommended Preparation: COMM 233.

COMM 494 (s) Research Experience (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged Supervised experience in conducting communication studies research. Available topics vary depending on current faculty research interests.

Prereqs: Permission

COMM 497 Practicum in Instruction (1-3 credits, max 6)

Tutoring and/or instructional services performed by advanced students under faculty supervision.

Prereqs: Permission

COMM 498 (s) Internship (1-3 credits, max arranged)

Graded P/F

Prereqs: Permission

COMM 499 (s) Directed Study (1-16 credits)

Credit arranged