COMMUNICATION (COMM)

COMM 101 Fundamentals of Oral Communication
2 credits
*Gen Ed: Communication*
Skills and techniques of effective speaking.

COMM 111 Introduction to Communication Studies
3 credits
Introduction to historical and intellectual development of the primary subfields within communication; perspectives on interrelationships among the subfields of interpersonal, small group, visual, and organizational communication; exploration of institutional character and cultural implications of each subfield; build competence as critical consumers of communication content.

COMM 150 Online Oral Communication
3 credits
*Gen Ed: Oral Communication*
This course provides the skills, techniques, and knowledge needed to engage in effective oral communication in online contexts.

COMM 200 (s) Seminar
Credit arranged

COMM 203 (s) Workshop
Credit arranged
May be graded P/F.
*Prereq: Permission*

COMM 204 (s) Special Topics
Credit arranged

COMM 233 Interpersonal Communication
3 credits
*Gen Ed: Social Science*
Communication concepts and skills applied to relationship management; communication process, listening, self-disclosure, perception, conflict.

COMM 299 (s) Directed Study
Credit arranged

COMM 332 Communication and the Small Group
3 credits
*Gen Ed: Social Science*
Problem-solving methods; performing as a group leader or as a group member; small group behavior.

COMM 335 Intercultural Communication
3 credits
*Gen Ed: Social Science, International*
Survey of current theories and research on intercultural communication; development of critical thinking skills in regard to intercultural interaction and communication styles.

COMM 340 Family Communication
3 credits
*Gen Ed: Social Science*
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.
*Prereq: STAT 251 or PSYC 215.*

COMM 400 (s) Seminar
Credit arranged

COMM 403 (s) Workshop
Credit arranged
May be graded P/F.
*Prereq: Permission*

COMM 404 (s) Special Topics
Credit arranged

COMM 410 Conflict Management
3 credits
*Gen Ed: Social Science*
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. Recommended Preparation: COMM 233.

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 432 Gender and Communication
3 credits
*Gen Ed: 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. (Alt/years)

COMM 453 Communication Theory
3 credits
*Gen Ed: 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.
*Prereq: 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 491 Communication and Aging
3 credits
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
Credit arranged
Supervised experience in conducting communication studies research. Available topics vary depending on current faculty research interests.
Prereq: Permission

COMM 497 Practicum in Instruction
1-3 credits, max 6
Tutoring and/or instructional services performed by advanced students under faculty supervision.
Prereq: Permission

COMM 498 (s) Internship
1-3 credits, max arranged
Graded P/F
Prereq: Permission

COMM 499 (s) Directed Study
Credit arranged