

COMMUNICATION STUDIES (COMM)

COMM-1000 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication 3 Credits

Define and explain basic terms, principles, and theories of interpersonal communication. Examine and adjust communication behaviors with the goal of improving one's own communication skills. Critically apply interpersonal theories in a variety of contexts and demonstrate an understanding of following aspects of interpersonal relationships: verbal, nonverbal, listening, perception, conflict, power, influence, and culture.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): None.

OAN Approved: Transfer Assurance Guide OCM002.

COMM-1010 Fundamentals of Speech Communication 3 Credits

Effective speech communication. Application of principles of speech content and delivery to a variety of practical speaking and listening situations.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test; or departmental approval. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

OAN Approved: Ohio Transfer 36 TMCOM and Transfer Assurance Guide OCM013

COMM-101H Honors Speech Communication 3 Credits

In-depth study and application of effective speech communication. Includes principles of speech content and delivery in a variety of speaking and listening situations. Research in the origins and history of speech including classic Greek, Roman, and contemporary models. Emphasis on speaking and speech evaluation.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test; or departmental approval. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

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COMM-1050 Voice and Articulation 3 Credits

Practical course in application of both theory and technique to conscious vocal control and development of articulation and pronunciation standards. Individual and group practice. Performance through exercises and readings.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): None.

COMM-1210 Small Group Communication 3 Credits

Basic elements of communications and small group theory as employed in typical small group situation. Emphasis placed on individual's responsibility in discussion setting, focusing on development of leadership abilities within each group. Analysis of group interaction in problem-solving process for task-oriented groups.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): None.

OAN Approved: Transfer Assurance Guide OCM003

COMM-179H Honors Contract in Communication Studies 1 Credit

Honors Contract complements and exceeds requirements and expected outcomes for an existing 1000-level honors course through formulation of a contract with a faculty mentor. This independent study at the honors level may also be taken with a non-honors course. When taken with a non-honors course the Honors Contract adds an honor experience to that course. In conjunction with a faculty mentor, student will formulate a contract, which upon completion will result in distinctive scholarship. The student is required to meet on a regularly scheduled basis with the instructor for mentor-student tutorial sessions. A maximum of six Honor Contracts (six credit hours) may be taken at the college (includes 179H and 279H).

Lecture: 1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Must be taken concurrently with a 1000-level course whose instructor agrees to mentor the student in this contract. Departmental approval required.

COMM-1820 Independent Study/Research in Communication Studies 1-3 Credits

Directed individual study. Study/research title and specific content arranged between instructor and student. May be repeated for a maximum of six credits of different topics.

Lecture: 1-3 hours

Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval, and instructor approval, and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

COMM-182H Honors Independent Study in Communication Studies 1-3 Credits

Honors-level directed individual study. Must meet criteria set forth in the Honors Course Checklist used to approve regular honors courses. Study/research title and specific content arranged between instructor and student. May be repeated for a maximum of six credits of different topics.

Lecture: 1-3 hours

Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval and instructor approval, and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test; and must have earned an A or B in at least 3 honors courses. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

COMM-2000 Introduction to Communication Theory
3 Credits

Introduction to theories of human communication. Analyzing the communication process by examining the process of building communication theory, as well as addressing theories in a variety of communication contexts such as interpersonal, group, public, organizational, influence, mass media, and cultural. Attention to the application of communication theory in achieving a better understanding the process of human communication.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): COMM-1000 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication or COMM-1010 Fundamentals of Speech Communication or COMM-101H Honors Fundamentals of Speech Communication; and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

OAN Approved: Transfer Assurance Guide OCM001.

COMM-2020 Interviewing
3 Credits

This course is designed to teach you how to incorporate communication skills relating to professional interviewing including interview structures, questioning techniques and formats, and a range of interview types. Specific practice will focus on workplace interviewing in the 21st century.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): ENG-1010 College Composition I, or ENG-101H Honors College Composition I; and COMM-1010 Fundamentals of Speech Communication, or COMM-101H Honors Fundamentals of Speech Communication.

COMM-2050 Oral Interpretation
3 Credits

Introduction to the oral communication of various forms of fiction and non fiction for live performance. Involves the analysis of literary works in preparation for performance with an emphasis on the development of delivery skills for interpretive reading.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): COMM-1010 Fundamentals of Speech Communication, or COMM-101H Honors Fundamentals of Speech Communication and ENG-1010 College Composition I, or ENG-101H Honors College Composition I.

COMM-2110 Argumentation and Debate
3 Credits

Introduces students to the basic principles of argumentation and debate as a tool for inquiry and advocacy, while emphasizing the development of research, critical thinking, and written and oral presentation skills. Strategies for advocating and arguing contested positions will be sharpened as reasoning and evidence in speeches, conversations, essays, and group deliberations are practiced and examined.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): COMM-1010 Fundamentals of Speech Communication, or COMM-101H Honors Fundamentals of Speech Communication, or departmental approval: comparable knowledge or skills.

COMM-2160 Intercultural Communication
3 Credits

Covers barriers to intercultural communication, dimensions of cultural differences, conflict, verbal and nonverbal issues, and the theories of communication concepts operating between people of different cultures.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): COMM-1000 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication or departmental approval.

COMM-2180 Principles of Phonetics
3 Credits

Study of the theory, principles and practices that are employed to describe the sounds of spoken English. Introduction to the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) and its application in transcribing the sounds of normal, deviant and accented speech. Course content is relevant to the disciplines of speech and hearing science, education, linguistics and theatre.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): COMM-1050 Voice and Articulation, or departmental approval.

COMM-2813 Special Topics: Speech and Language Development
3 Credits

This course is designed to provide an understanding of the process of normal speech and language acquisition (comprehension and production) from birth through the teen years. Speech and Language Development information will include an overview of the major milestones in phonology, semantics, syntax, morphology, pragmatics and metalinguistic components. An understanding of these components of communication will provide a basis for approaching assessment and intervention in persons with speech and language disorders.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): COMM-2150 Introduction to Speech Pathology or departmental approval.

COMM-2820 Independent Advanced Study/Research in Communication Studies
1-3 Credits

Directed individual advanced study. Study/research title and specific content arranged between instructor and student. May be repeated for a maximum of six credits of different topics.

Lecture: 1-3 hours

Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval, and instructor approval, and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.