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Communication (COMM) 1511 Public Speaking (3 Units) CSU:UC [formerly Speech 11, 1511]

Advisory: Eligibility for English 1500 strongly recommended

Total Hours: 48 hours lecture. 96 Outside-of-class hours. (144 Total Student Learning Hours)

Catalog Description: This course develops the ability to organize, develop, and deliver a speech effectively. Emphasis is on research, organization, presentation, and evaluation. C-ID: COMM 110

Type of Class/Course: Degree Credit

Text: Lucas, Stephen E. The Art of Public Speaking. 12th ed. New York: McGraw, 2015

Additional Instructional Materials: None

Course Objectives:

By the end of the course, a successful student will be able to:

- 1. distinguish between the similarities and differences of public speaking and everyday conversation,
- 2. identify the elements of the speech communication process,
- 3. identify the causes of poor listening,
- 4. provide examples of effective listening skills,
- 5. explain the proper steps for selecting a speech topic,
- 6. analyze the intended audience,
- 7. demonstrate skills in gathering materials for a speech,
- 8. provide examples, statistics, and testimony to support ideas,
- 9. evaluate library and outside resources,
- 10. organize the body of a speech,
- 11. construct an effective speech introduction and conclusion,
- 12. construct a preparation and speech outline,
- 13. demonstrate skill in utilizing appropriate language in a speech,
- 14. compare and contrast the various methods of speech delivery,
- 15. assembly materials to use as visual aids,
- 16. identify the types and guidelines for informative and persuasive speeches,
- 17. apply the principles of small group discussion, and
- 18. evaluate strengths and weaknesses in student speakers.

Course Scope, Content:



Unit I Speaking and Listening

- A. Speaking in Public
- B. Ethics and Public Speaking
- C. Listening

Unit II Speech Preparation: Getting Started

- A. Selecting a Topic and Purpose
- B. Analyzing the Audience
- C. Gathering Materials
- D. Supporting Ideas

Unit III Speech Preparation: Organizing and Outlining

- A. Organizing the Body of the Speech
- B. Beginning and Ending the Speech
- C. Outlining the Speech

Unit IV Presenting the Speech

- A. Using Language
- B. Delivery
- C. Using Visual Aids

Unit V Varieties of Public Speaking

- A. Speaking to Inform
- B. Speaking to Persuade
- C. Methods of Persuasion
- D. Speaking on Special Occasions
- E. Speaking in Small Groups

Learning Activities Required Outside of Class:

The students in this class will spend a minimum of 6 hours per week outside of the regular class time doing the following:

- 1. Studying
- 2. Answering questions
- 3. Skill practice
- 4. Completing required reading
- 5. Written work
- 6. Observation of or participation in an activity related to course content

Methods of Instruction:

- 1. Lectures
- 2. Class discussion and projects
- 3. Audiovisual presentations



- 4. Speeches varying in type and length
 - a. introductory speech
 - b. two informative speeches
 - c. two persuasive speeches
 - d. two impromptu speeches
 - e. special occasion speech

Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Substantial writing assignments, including:
 - a. essay midterm and final
 - b. written homework
- 2. Skill demonstrations, including:
 - a. class performance exams
- 3. Other examinations, including:
 - a. multiple choice
 - b. true/false items

Supplemental Data:

TOP Code:	150600: Speech Communication
SAM Priority Code:	E: Non-Occupational
Distance Education:	Online; Offline
Funding Agency:	Y: Not Applicable(funds not used)
Program Status:	1: Program Applicable
Noncredit Category:	Y: Not Applicable, Credit Course
Special Class Status:	N: Course is not a special class
Basic Skills Status:	N: Course is not a basic skills course
Prior to College Level:	Y: Not applicable
Cooperative Work Experience:	N: Is not part of a cooperative work experience education program



Eligible for Credit by Exam:	NO
Eligible for Pass/No Pass:	C: Pass/No Pass
Taft College General Education:	CSA1: CSU Area A1 IG1C: IGETC Area 1C LCAT: Local GE Communication