

Communication Studies

Comm. 101 Lacc Cortines High School 27569 M-Th 3:30-5:05pm

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Office Hour: Contact instructor for appointment. Meetings will take place in the classroom

Course Materials

Text: DK Guide to Public speaking Lisa Ford Brown ISBN ISBN13: 978-1457670404

Other Materials:

Package of 3X5 Note cards

Scantron: 5X 886 scantron

Course Description

In this course, students will compose, present, and evaluate original speeches. Emphasis is placed on audience analysis, topic selection, research, evidence, organization, delivery, and critical analysis of persuasive communication.

Advice

Please do not hesitate to seek help or just stop by to say hello and visit. I would love to get to know you better. Your success is my priority. If there is anything I can do to help you...I will. However, please keep your e-mails brief. If you have questions that require a lengthy answer, please see me during office hours or schedule an appointment with me.

Student Learning Outcomes

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

- A. Student will describe basic principles of human communication
- B. Student will analyze audience to adapt to their own communication style and to acknowledge the difference in others.
- C. Students will evaluate reliability of sources.
- D. Students will utilize appropriate speech organization.
- E. Students will perform basic delivery for live audience
- F. Students will create and utilize professional quality visual aid.

Prepare and deliver speeches that contain informative and/or persuasive components with a clear thesis, logical organization of main points, credible sources, supplemental audience-based visual aid/s, and a citation page.

Grading:

Students will give five graded presentations listed below. Everyone but the Impromptu require a typed outline. All speech outlines, except the impromptu, will receive a grade on their thoroughness, adherence to guidelines and other criteria discussed in class. Finally, students will be given a grade for positive class participation, which includes speech critiques, participating in class discussions, taking quizzes, completing out-of-class assignments and in-class activities. Grades are given based on total points earned.

Grading scale:

Achievement Speech	50
Tribute Speech	50
Informative Speech	200
Persuasive Speech	200
Impromptu	50
Participation	150
Group speech	100
Four quizzes 50 each throw out lowest one .	200
Total Possible Points	1000

Grading scale:

900-1000 points	A
800-899 points	B
700-799 points	C
600-669 points	D
599 - below points	F

Examinations:

There will be five 50 point quizzes which includes true false, multiple choice, fill in the blank and short essay style questions. The material will come from both the lecture and the text. A study guide is provided on my webpage (www.speechsuccess.net). Students must show up on time or risk not taking the exam.

Group Presentation and Outline: In this fun and interesting 30 minute group presentation, you will work with some of your classmates to present the salient points from a chapter in the textbook on a given topic to the class. This speech, outline, presentation aid, study guide hand out, in class activity, mnemonic device and overall presentation are worth 10% (100 points).

Homework:

All homework must be typed, stapled and turned in at the start of class.
Attendance and Audience Participation Policy:

On the first day of classes – please make sure to be on time. If you do not attend the 1st 2 classes you WILL BE DROPPED from the course. Please make sure you attend EVERY class during classes as we move quickly.

Attendance:

Your attendance at every class meeting is required and will be enforced. Three tardies or leaving early three times equals an absence. If you do miss a class, you are responsible for obtaining the material missed. According to the college attendance policy, you will BE DROPPED after 2 absences.

Participation:

Active participation is vital in this course; therefore, students must be present in class and completed the homework and reading prior to class. No cross talking or engaging with cell phone is permitted Failure to attend class will negatively affect the students' grades. If you are caught engaging in any of these activities, you are showing that you are not really paying attention to the class and participating, and may be marked absent.

“Students with a verified disability who may need a reasonable accommodation(s) for this class are encouraged to notify the instructor and contact the Office of Special Services (CH 109, 323-953-4000 X2270) as soon as possible. All information will remain confidential.”

Classroom Rules of Conduct—i.e. Academic Dishonesty, Board Rule 9803.28—a required component of the syllabi

Violations of Academic Integrity include, but are not limited to, the following actions: cheating on an exam, plagiarism, working together on an assignment, paper or project when the instructor has specifically stated students should not do so, submitting the same term paper to more than one instructor, or allowing another individual to assume one's identity for the purpose of enhancing one's grade.

Disciplinary Action

Disciplinary action appropriate to the misconduct as defined above may be taken by an instructor the Dean of Student Services or his or her designee and the Board of Trustees.

Misconduct should be brought to the immediate attention of the Campus Police, or local police department/security force for courses taught off campus.

Removal by Instructor — In addition to an instructor's right to drop a student permanently from a class when the student is no longer participating (i.e. lack of attendance in the course), an instructor may remove (suspend) a student from his or her class for the day of the incident and the next class meeting. During this period of removal, a conference should be held with the instructor and the student to attempt to resolve the situation that led to the student's removal and the student shall not be returned to the class from which he or she was removed without the concurrence of the instructor of the class.

1. If a student is suspended for one class meeting, no additional formal disciplinary procedures are necessary.
2. If a student is suspended from class for the day of the incident and the next class meeting, the instructor shall send a written report of the action to his or her dean who shall forward this information to the Dean of Student Services, the Provost. If the student removed by an instructor is a minor, the President's designee (Dean of Student Services) shall ask a parent or guardian of the student to attend a parent conference regarding the removal as soon as possible. If the instructor or the parent or guardian so requests, a college administrator shall attend the conference.
3. The instructor may recommend to his or her dean that a student be suspended for longer than two class meetings. If the dean, instructor and student cannot resolve the problem, the suspension will be referred to the President or the President's designee.
4. During the period following the initial suspension from class for the day of the incident and the following class meeting, the student shall be allowed to return to the class until due process and the disciplinary procedures are completed unless the student is further suspended as a result of actions.

CONSEQUENCES FOR CHEATING OR PLAGIARISM

Given alleged violation of the Standards of Conduct, any or all of the following actions may be imposed:

1. When there is evidence of cheating or plagiarism in classroom work, students may receive an F for that piece of work or may be suspended from all classes for that term and the following term if deemed appropriate.
2. The instructor may assign a failing grade to the examination or assignment in which the alleged cheating or plagiarism occurred. This action is based on information that the instructor had.
3. The instructor may dismiss the student from the class or activity for the present and/or following class session(s)
4. The instructor may recommend suspension or expulsion of the student from the class

The necessity of attendance on speech presentation days cannot be overemphasized!

With the exception of a documented serious illness, accident, hospitalization, imprisonment, or death there are no other legitimate excuses of being unprepared. Students are expected to come prepared to speak, which includes having all the material.

Withdrawal Policy:

Students are responsible for understanding the LA City College withdrawal policy and applicable deadlines.

Making up work:

It is very difficult to find time in class for makeup speeches. STUDENT WHO MISSES A SPEECH WILL RECEIVE A ZERO FOR THAT SPEECH. Makeup opportunities will only be given in extreme cases

Late Policy:

STUDENTS WHO ARE LATE ON THEIR SPEAKING DAYS, QUIZ DATE, OR EXAM WILL AUTOMATICALLY LOSE ONE LETTER GRADE ON THE SPEECH AND MAY LOSE THE CHANCE TO COMPLETE THE ASSIGNMENT.

Do NOT wait until the last minute! No outlines are accepted on speaking days.

SPEECHES

Interviewing Speech: 1 minute; no sources required; My Greatest Story speech: 3-4 Tribute: 4-5 minutes, 2 sources; Informative: 6 minutes, 4 sources; Persuasive: 7-8 minutes, 5 sources; Impromptu: 3-5 minutes/no sources.

DO NOT WRITE YOUR SPEECHES AS ESSAYS. There are different outlines for each talk listed on www.speechsuccess.net

Topic Selection, Speaking Order, and Speech Day Process

Topic selection is the final decision date. Groups will rotate based on alphabetical order by last names.

All complete outlines are submitted by the due date listed on the syllabus. You must have turned in outline to speak
Notecards are prepared at home.

Retain all records of paper works returned to you until the completion of the class

Extra Credit Opportunity for 25 points

Attend a speech at local Toastmaster International visit <http://www.toastmasters.org/find-a-club>. Complete the <http://www.speechsuccess.net/ose2.pdf> form and the assignment must be turned in by 8-15.

A note about respect:

As the instructor, I respect each of you and promise to answer your questions, be available to help you and to treat you with respect. However, I also expect to be treated with respect. Disrupting the class by talking at inappropriate times, sleeping, and repeatedly coming in late are signs of disrespect. Let's pledge to respect each other!

Your role as an audience member:

Since this is a public speaking class, you will spend a considerable amount of time being an audience member. A failure to assume this responsibility gets a lot of students in trouble. Please be courteous and attentive when listening to other speeches. Do not do homework, try to learn your speech, or do anything else except listen during student speeches.

Do not walk in while a student is speaking. In addition, please turn off cell phones prior to class. Discourteous audience behaviors will be reflected in a lowering of your participation points. Use the class website to see sample outline and videos.

Tentative Spring Schedule

Things may need to shift for various reasons. Impromptu speaking can occur on any day time permitting.

In class we will cover	Homework
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	Date	Topic	Assignments and Reading
1	9-3	Introduction to course Thesis statements Interviewing Speech (1 pt)	Getting to Know You Essay Print Directory to Prof. Kahn's webpage Apprehension Ch. 1
	9-5	Getting to Know You Essay Due Introduction to Greatest Achievement Speech 1	Selecting topic & organizing 6 Ch . 3

	9-10	Organizing the body Ch. 7&8, introductions and conclusions Quiz 1 (1,3, 6,)	Type up the body of the outline Print out Evaluation form for five grades speeches (Value 10
	9-12	Greatest Achievement Outline Due	
2	9-17	Greatest Achievement	
	9-19	Tribute Topic Due	Steve Wonder Black Man for 2nd Speech
	9-24	2 Analyze audience 4 Locate support	Prepare surveys for persuasive open ended close ended questions
	9-26	5 Selecting and Testing information	
3	10-1	19 small group lectures	
	10-3	quiz 2 (2,4,5, 19) Small group time	
	10-8	14 Informative speaking Small group time	
	10-10	Special occasion -17 -student	
4	10-15	Presentation aids= Student 11	Informative Lecture
	10-17	Language- 9 Student	Informative Speech Workshop Bring two copies of outline and laptop
	10-22	Delivery -10 student Tribute Outlines Due Quiz 3 (9,10, 11, 14, 17)	Persuasive Speech Topic Due
	10-24	Tribute	
5	10-29	tribute	
	10-31	12 &13	Informative
	11-5	Inform. Speech	
	11-7	Inform. Speech	
	11-12	Inform. Speech	
	11-14	15	

	11-19	16	
	11-21	Quiz 12-16	
	12-3	Persuasive speech	
	12/5	Persuasive Speech	
	12-10	Persuasive Speech	
	12-12	Impromptu	

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Grading Scale or Criteria

A - Excellent

B - Good

C - Satisfactory

D - Less than satisfactory

Effective July 1, 2012 students are allowed three (3) attempts to pass a single class within the Los Angeles

Community College District. If a student gets a "W", "D", "F", or "NP" as a grade in a class, that counts as an attempt.

If you think you will not be able to complete this course with a C or better, please drop by the due date.

Students who are registered and miss the first time the class meets may lose their right to a place in the class. Whenever students are absent more than 10% of the total meeting days of the class, the instructor may exclude them from class. If the instructor determines that there are no mitigating circumstances that may justify the absences, the instructor may exclude a student from the class. Students are responsible for officially dropping a class that they stop attending.

Attendance Policy

Drop and Repeats

COMM 101

Transferrable to UC and CSU

Students study the theory and techniques of public speaking in a democratic society. Students will apply rhetorical principles to topic selection and audience analysis, research and reasoning of information, speech composition and outlining, presentation aids and delivery, and listening and evaluation of public discourse. Students practice effective communicative strategies for various types of original speeches including informative and persuasive speeches. Focus will be on developing credibility as a speaker and demonstrating confidence before an audience. This course meets AA degree and transfer requirements in oral communication.

Course:

Title: PUBLIC SPEAKING

Course Description

Units/Transferability

Prerequisites/Co-requisites/Advisories

Course Student Learning Outcomes

No Prerequisite. No Core requisites. Advisory English 101

F - Failing

P - Pass; at least equivalent to a "C" grade or better

NP - Not Pass; equal to "D" or "F" grade

Financial Aid

If you need help paying for books and other college expenses, call the Financial Aid Office at (323) 953-4000 ext.2010 or email finaid@lacitycollege.edu.

For all important dates make sure to visit <http://www.lacitycollege.edu/services/admissions/dates.html>

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Syllabus Agreement

Please complete this form, sign your name at the bottom and return to the instructor. You may write any additional comments you want to share with the instructor on the back of this form.

Name _____

Home () _____

What is best time and number to reach you? _____

Work () _____

Major _____

Email _____

1. Have you ever taken a Speech course?
___ Yes ___ No If, yes, what was the name of the course and where was the course taken:

2. What are your concerns in taking this Speech class?

3. Why are you taking this course?

4. How does this course relate to your major?

5. What can I do as the professor to help you make sure you complete the class?

I have read the syllabus for Professor Kahn's' Public Speaking course and I agree to follow the guideline set forth and allow the professor to use my materials or videos as examples for future classes.

Name (Please Print) _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____