



COM 104: Fundamentals of Public Speaking

In this course, students study and apply theoretical concepts of communicating in public settings to diverse audiences. Students research, organize, write, and deliver oral presentations for a variety of purposes. Techniques to address public speaking apprehension, critical thinking, information literacy, and technology skills, verbal and non-verbal communication, and active listening are covered in this course. Prerequisite: A passing score on the college's reading and writing placement tests, or concurrent enrollment in ENG 091 or ENG 092, or permission of the department chair. Three lecture hours per week. Gen. Ed. Competencies Met: Critical Thinking, Human Expression, Information Literacy and Oral Communication

Course Student Learning Outcomes

1. Apply communications concepts that are appropriate to the audience and circumstance
2. Apply communication techniques connected to overcoming apprehension
3. Deliver at least four graded effective presentations based on scholarly research
4. Apply effective nonverbal communication techniques
5. Analyze contemporary issues of the human experience through critique and discussion
6. Evaluate significant contemporary oral presentation as a form of creative expression

Credits: 3

Program: Communication