

Course Typically Offered: Spring

COMM 149. Freedom of Speech

Examines the tradition of freedom of speech and expression in the American democracy. Focuses upon the First Amendment to the Constitution and major case laws which impact contemporary standards for public discourse, politics, broadcast, and journalism. (Formerly SPCH 149)

Units: 3

Course Typically Offered: Fall

COMM 150. Communication and Aging

(COMM 150 same as GERON 150.) Focusing on the communication aspects of the aging process, organized around the major communication components of intrapersonal, interpersonal, and mass communication with addition of such topics as attitudes, stereotypes, nonverbal, and the communication aspects of health care.

Units: 3

Course Typically Offered: Fall

COMM 160. Meaning, Language, and Communication

A review and analysis of the various approaches to the study of human symbolic behavior, with focus on such theories as: General Semantics, Psycholinguistics, Sociolinguistics, Epistemology, and other philosophical and scientific enquiries into the nature of language and meaning. (Formerly SPCH 160)

Units: 3

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COMM 161. Family Communication

Examine communication theories and empirical findings related to interaction in relationships such as parent-child, sibling, romantic, and grandparent-grandchild. Coverage also includes blended and non-traditional family forms. Investigate positive and sub-optimal processes including conflict, relational dissolution, and abuse.

Units: 3

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COMM 162. Interpersonal Communication

An examination, analysis, and application of communication theories and variables involved in interpersonal contexts such as acquaintanceships, courtships, friendships, and families. Attention is given to communicative practices involved in the effective management of interpersonal relationships over time. (Formerly SPCH 162)

Units: 3

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COMM 163. Social Influence and Attitude Change

Seminar on the nature and effects of social influence, with special emphasis on attitude formation and change, conformity,

behavior, "brain washing," prejudice, and propaganda as functions of communication. (Formerly SPCH 163)

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COMM 164. Intercultural Communication

Prerequisites: G.E. Foundation and Breadth Area D. Analysis of cultural variables and factors in the communication process and strategies for the resolution of intercultural problems; consideration of implications for education and programs necessarily involving intercultural communication. G.E. Multicultural/International MI. (Formerly SPCH 164)

Units: 3

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COMM 165. Computer Applications in Communication

Survey of information technologies and computer applications in human communication professions, including word processing, spreadsheets, graphics, presentation visuals, e-mail, and Internet. Advanced techniques for creating Web pages, reports, training, presentations, brochures, and newsletters. (Formerly SPCH 165)

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COMM 166. Communication Research Methods

Application of behavioral research principles to problems in quantification, design, and analysis of data in communication research. (Formerly SPCH 166)

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COMM 167. Leadership in Groups and Organizations

Theory and practice of selected leadership variables in groups and organizations; functions of leadership in formal and informal structures, understanding and analysis of role-playing techniques. (Formerly SPCH 167)

Units: 3

Course Typically Offered: Fall

COMM 168. Communication in Organizations

Examination of organizational communication from a multiple discipline perspective. Through the study of theory and experiential learning in simulations, students develop skills necessary for planning, staffing, developing, decision-making, and problem-solving in organizations. (Formerly SPCH 168)

Units: 3

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

COMM 169. Communication and Conflict

Examination of the role of communication in conflict in interpersonal, small groups, organizational, and societal settings. Through experiential learning, case study analyses, and practice of intervention skills, students address conflict