# Marshall University

Course Title/Number	Honors in Speech Communication / CMM 104H		
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# Course Description: From Catalog

An accelerated course for selected freshmen and sophomores in fundamentals of communication, concepts and skills in verbal/nonverbal communication and listening.

The table below shows the following relationships: How each student learning outcomes will be practiced and assessed in the course.

Course Student Learning	How students will practice each	How student
Outcomes	outcome in this Course	achievement of each
		outcome will be assessed
Students will:		in this Course
Determine audience orientation	Lecture	Speech Proposals
toward the topic	Classroom activities	Preparation Outlines
-	Audience evaluation survey	Oral Presentations
	Peer evaluations	Quizzes
		Exams
Identify supporting material most	Lecture	Supporting a Claim
relevant to the audience	Classroom activities	Creating an Argument
	Peer evaluations	Oral Presentations
		Preparation Outlines
		Quizzes
		Exams

Recognize and adjust to nonverbal	Lecture	Oral Presentations
audience feedback	Activities	Quizzes
	Peer evaluations	Exams

Students will learn to demonstrate critical thinking in the production and evaluation of communication events by

Differentiating between various types	Lecture	Supporting a Claim
of evidence	Classroom Activities	Oral Presentations
<i>y</i>		Preparation Outlines
		Quizzes
		Exams
Extrapolating valid claims from	Lecture	Persuasive Speech
evidence	Classroom Activities	Preparation Outlines
		Self-Evaluations
		Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams
Identifying and producing factual,	Lecture	Persuasive Speech
value, and policy claims	Classroom Activities	Preparation Outlines
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		Quizzes
		Exams
Identifying the types of reasoning that	Lecture	Creating an Argument
link evidence to claims	Classroom Activities	Persuasive Speech
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		Critical Listening
		Self-Evaluations
		Quizzes Exams
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Identifying the limitations of evidence	Lecture	Creating an Argument
	Classroom Activities	Persuasive Speech
		Critical Listening
		Quizzes
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Identifying weaknesses in argument	Lecture	Creating an Argument
and reasoning	Classroom Activities	Persuasive Speech
	Peer Evaluations	Critical Listening
		Self-Evaluations
		Quizzes
		Exams
Producing valid arguments	Lecture	Creating an Argument
	Classroom Activities	Persuasive Speech
	Peer Evaluations	Critical Listening
		Self-Evaluations
		Quizzes
		Exams

Students will produce organized informative and persuasive presentations by

Demonstrating the ability to capture	Lecture	Oral Presentations
audience attention,	Classroom Activities	Preparation Outlines
	Peer Evaluations	Self-Evaluations
		Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams
Stating the thesis and previewing their	Lecture	Oral Presentations
oral remarks,	Classroom Activities	Preparation Outlines
	Peer Evaluations	Self-Evaluations
		Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams
Using transitions and signposts to	Lecture	Oral Presentations
emphasize speech structure, and	Classroom Activities	Preparation Outlines
	Peer Evaluations	Self-Evaluations
		Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams
Concluding their remarks with a	Lecture	Oral Presentations
summary of the main points	Classroom Activities	Preparation Outlines
	Peer Evaluations	Self-Evaluations
		Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams

Students will develop effective extemporaneous speaking skills by

Maintaining eye contact with the	Lecture	Oral Presentation
audience while speaking	Classroom Activities	Self-Evaluations
	Peer Evaluations	Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams
Using gestures which complement the	Lecture	Oral Presentation
verbal message	Classroom Activities	Self-Evaluations
	Peer Evaluations	Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams
Speaking with varied vocal cues	Lecture	Oral Presentation
	Classroom Activities	Self-Evaluations
	Peer Evaluations	Critical Listening
		Quizzes
		Exams

### Required Texts, Additional Reading, and Other Materials

- 1. Public Speaking Strategies for Success 7th Edition by David Zarefsky
- 2. Communication Studies 103 Student handbook by Kristine Greenwood

### **Grading Policy**

A = 90% - 100%	612 - 680	
B= 80% - 89%	544 - 611	
C = 70% - 79%	476 - 543	
D= 60% - 69%	408 - 475	
F= 0% - 59%	000 - 407	

### **Attendance Policy**

Roll will be taken every day and you are expected to be in class and on time. If you have any unforeseen circumstances that prevent you from attending then it is your responsibility to inform me *ahead of time* if at all possible. Tardiness will not be tolerated. According to Student Affairs, a student must secure a University Excused Absence upon returning to class. This does not mean waiting two weeks and then expecting me to allow you to make-up the assignments that you missed. Be proactive. It is the responsibility of the student to request an opportunity to complete missed assignments. Students should be aware that excessive absences--whether excused or unexcused--may affect their ability to earn a passing grade. Regardless of the nature of the excused absence, the student is responsible for completing all coursework prior to the end of the semester.

## **Class Participation**

In order for you to demonstrate the skills necessary for this course, you will be required to participate in group activities. From time to time, it will be necessary for you to prepare for class on your own time. These activities will require you to complete assignments from your workbook. There will be an addition of 50 points for participation added to your total points accumulated for the semester. Failure to participate in class, with the completed assignments will result in the deduction of points from this category.

#### Make-up Work

It is expected that you will turn in all work by the due date. If for some reason you need extra time then ask. Exceptions will be made on an individual basis. Exams and Speeches must be taken / delivered on the date that they are scheduled. Only a University Excused Absence will be considered in order for these items to be made up. Any assignments turned in late will be cut the amount of points equal to one letter grade. No email copies of assignments will be accepted unless a prior arrangement has been made and accepted by me. In order for you to achieve the objectives of this course; acquiring the skills to speak publicly; you must complete the oral performance of all speeches. Failure to meet this requirement will result in failing the course without exception.

#### **APA Style Formatting**

All written work submitted in this class must adhere to the APA formatting guide as published by the American Psychological Association, which can be found here:

http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/. Failure to follow these guidelines may result in major point deductions per assignment.

### **Speeches**

All students are required to present themselves in a professional manner when delivering oral presentations. All students are required to wear a suit during their presentation of the informative and persuasion speeches. Failure to do so will result in the deduction of points.

#### Exams

The final exam is the only exam this semester. It is comprehensive and will be delivered online.

#### Extra Credit

Anyone who attends every class will receive 10 points extra credit. There may be, from time to time, extra credit given at the discretion of the instructor.

### **Mutual Respect**

Please treat each other with mutual respect. Hatred of any kind will not be tolerated. Our class is made up of a diverse population and it must be respected regardless of our differences. Embrace diversity!

#### **Cell Phones**

Cell phones will not be tolerated in the classroom. Please put them out of view before class begins. I will confiscate them if it becomes an issue.

#### Peer Feedback

It is important that you are a good audience member. You will be required to complete peer feedback forms for each oral presentation. If you are absent from class during your peer's oral presentation they will not be able to receive your feedback. Therefore, I will deduct points equal to one letter grade for each absence on days of these presentations. If you are officially excused from class you will be required to write a 1-2 page paper to make up the lost points.

#### Quizzes

There will be five 25 question quizzes throughout the semester posted to MU Blackboard. There will be a brief window of opportunity for you to take these quizzes online. Generally you will be given two weeks to read the appropriate chapters before the quiz time expires, but there are exceptions. You will be given 45 minutes to take each quiz. The lowest quiz score of the five will be dropped from your final grade. My suggestion would be for you to read the textbook as these quizzes, for the most part, come directly from the text. I do not hate you. I am attempting to prepare you for the exams which come directly from the text and historically have been considered some of the most difficult exams given by the University.

# **Course Schedule**

Week	Date	Topic/Assignment	Reading
Week 1	January 12	Introduction	-
	January 14	Chapter 1 – Welcome to Public Speaking	Chapters 1 - 3
		The Rhetorical Situation & The Tell It Theory	
		Chapter 2 – Your First Speech	
Week 2	January 19	Chapter 3 – Presenting the Speech	
		Communication Diary	
	January 21	Introductory Speeches / 25 pts.	
	January 23	Quiz 1 / 25 pts.	Chapters 1-3
Week 3	January 26	Chapter 4 – Listening Critically	Chapters 4 -5
		Chapter – 5 Analyzing Your Audience	
	January 28	Chapter – 6 Choosing a Topic and Developing a	Chapter 6
		Strategy, Topics & Purposes, APA	
	January 30	Quiz 2 / 25 pts.	Chapters 4-6
		APA Quiz / 25 pts.	
Week 4	February 2	Chapter 7 – Researching the Speech, <i>Types of Evidence</i> ,	Chapter 7
		Informative Speech Topics approved	
	February 4	Chapter 9 – Organizing the Speech: The Body	Chapters 9 & 10
		Coordination & Subordination	
		Chapter 10 – Organizing the Speech: Introductions,	
		Conclusions, and Transitions	
		Informative Speech Assignments Preparation	
	February 6	Quiz 3 / 25 pts.	Chapters 7, 9-10
Week 5	February 9	Chapter 11 – Outlining the Speech	Chapter 11
		Scrambled Outline	
	February 11	Supporting a Claim / 25 pts.	
Week 6	February 16	Chapter 13 – Informing	Chapter 13
		Informative Speech preparation	
	February 18	Chapter 15 – Speaking with Visual Aids	
	February 13	Quiz 4 / 25 pts.	Chapters 11, 13, 15
Week 7	February 23	Informative Speeches / 100 pts.	
		Informative Outline / 50 pts	
	February 25	Informative Speeches Continued	
Week 8	March 1	Informative Speeches Continued	
	March 3	Informative Speeches Continued	
Week 9	March 8	Chapter 8 – Reasoning	Chapter 8
		Writing Valid Arguments	
		Informative Speech Self Analysis / 15 pts.	
	March 10	Chapter 8 –continued	
		Identify the Type of Claim	
		Making Inferences	
		What's My Fallacy?	

Week 10 March 15		Persuasion Speech topics approved,	
		Persuasion Speech Assignments Preparation	
	March 17	Class is Cancelled Pi Kappa Delta Nationals	
Week 11		SPRING BREAK	
Week 12	March 29	Chapter 14 – Persuading	Chapters 14 & 12
		Chapter 12 – Achieving Style Through Language	
		Language Style	
		Language and Precision	
		Creating an Argument / 25 pts.	
	March 31	Persuasion Speech preparation	
Week 13	April 5	Persuasive Speeches / 100 pts.	
		Persuasive Speech Outline / 50 pts.	
	April 7	Persuasive Speeches continued	
Week 14	April 12	Persuasive Speeches continued	
	April 14	No Class NFA Nationals	
Week 15	April 19	Chapter 16 – Occasions for Public Speaking	Chapter 16
	April 21	Persuasive Speeches continued	
	April 23	Quiz 5 / 25 pts.	
Week 16	April 26	Ceremonial Speeches / 25 pts.	
		Persuasion Speech Self Analysis / 15 pts.	
	April 28	Final Exam Review	
Week 17	May 3	Impromptu Speeches / 25 pts.	
	May 4	Final Exam Due by 11:59 pm	Comprehensive

### Grades

Type of Assignment	Title of Assignment	Points
Speeches / 275	Introductory Speech	25
	Informative Speech	100
	Persuasive Speech	100
	Ceremonial Speech	25
	Impromptu Speech	25
Written / 130	Supporting a Claim	25
	Informative Outline	50
	Informative Self Analysis	15
	Creating An Argument	25
	Persuasion Self Analysis	15
Exams & Quizzes / 225	Quiz 1	25
	Quiz 2	25
	Quiz 3	25
	Quiz 4	25
	Quiz 5 (Drop lowest Quiz 1-5)	25
	APA Quiz	25
	Final Exam	100
Other / 50	Participation	50

This is the only paper copy of this syllabus you will receive. If other copies are needed you may print it from MU online. If you need coaching, assistance or advice do not hesitate to ask for an appointment. I am willing to help as much as I can. Good Luck with the class, the semester, and college! Go Herd!

