| Course Title/Number | Group Communication CMM 315 (section 203) |
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| Semester/Year | Spring 2015 |
| Days/Time | 2-3:15 Tuesday/Thursday |
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| | by appointment |
| University Policies | By enrolling in this course, you agree to the University Policies listed below. Please read the full text of each policy be going to www.marshall.edu/academic-affairs and clicking on "Marshall University Policies." Or, you can access the policies directly by going to http://www.marshall.edu/academic-affairs/?page_id=802 |
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Course Description: From Catalog

3 Credit Hours, prerequisites CMM 103 or 104H or 207 or 305. Study of group communication processes, including problem solving, systems of group communication analysis and evaluation in task oriented groups.

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

| Course Student Learning Outcomes | How students will practice each outcome in this Course | How student achievement of each outcome will be assessed in this Course |
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| Students willparticipate in | Daily group activities | Two major group |
| cooperative learning experiences | Group presentations | presentations |
| Students will demonstrate an | Daily group activities | Three exams |
| understanding of the nature of | Lecture | Semester long journal |
| groups | Classroom discussion | Group Activities |
| | | End of semester analysis |
| Students will discuss the | Daily group activities | Journal writing |
| relationships that occur within | Lecture | End of semester analysis |
| groups | Class Discussions | |
| Students will demonstrate ability | Daily group activities | Two group presentations |
| to work cooperatively in a group | Group assignments | 2 group papers |
| Students will analyze group | Lecture | Three exams |

| communication patterns, task | Class discussion | Two oral group |
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| and maintenance roles and | Daily group activities | presentations |
| conflict management skills | Group assignments | Two group papers |
| | | Journal |
| | | End of semester analysis |
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Required Texts, Additional Reading, and Other Materials

| 1. Harris & Sherblom, Small Group and Team Communication | | |
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Course Requirements / Due Dates

- 1. Two group presentations worth 100 points each (each accompanied by a 5 to 7 page paper)
- 2. A journal worth 150 points
- 3. Two quizzes worth 25 points each
- 4. One exam worth 50 points
- 5. Attendance/Participation worth 150 points

Grading Policy

Grades will be calculated on a straight scale:

90 to 100 = A

80 to 89 = B

70 to 79 = C

60 to 69 = D

59 to 0 = F

Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory. Class attendance and participation will make up part of the students grade. Missing the class will disrupt the group as well as jeopardize the student's grade. All absences are not acceptable unless they fall under the guidelines for University excused absences. Because this is a group class, group activities that are missed cannot be made up. Please refer to the Marshall Handbook regarding weather related closure of the university. Remember that you are missing points when you miss class.

Please inform me of your pending absences. Also, make sure that your group is aware of days that you may be absent. Some of your group meetings may take place out of class and it is imperative to contact group members to let them know if you will miss an activity. THE STUDENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY MISSED HANDOUTS OR INFORMATION ABOUT ASSIGNMENTS. If you missed class it is your responsibility to find out what happened in class.

Please silence your cell phone upon entering the class. No texting or reading texts during class. Please make any calls before you enter the class or after leaving the class.

Course Schedule

Week 1 (Jan 13-15) Overview of class and Chapter 1.

Week 2 (Jan 20 -22) Systems Theory (Chapter 2) Assign final groups Chapter 3 Norms (assignment of 1st Presentation)

Week 3 (Jan27-29) Norms, (Chapter 3) continued / Chapter 4 Phases of Group Development

Week 4 (Feb 3-5) Group Activities/class discussions/Chapter 5 Diversity/ Group Meetings

Week 5 (Feb 10-12) Group Meetings/(QUIZ1)

Week 6 (Feb 17-19) GROUP PRESENTATIONS

Week 7 (Feb 24-26) Chapter 6 Group Activities

Week 8 (Mar 3-5) Chapter 7 Listening and Feedback

Week 9 (Mar 10-12) Exercise on Listening/ Chapter 8 Teams (QUIZ2)

Week10 (Mar 17-19) SPRING BREAK Academic Holiday

Week11 (Mar 24-26) Chapter 9 and 10 Group Activities

Week 12(Mar 31-A2) Chapter 11 Group Activities

Week13 (April 7-9) Exam on Chapter 11

Week 14(April 14-16) Group Presentations

Week 15 (April 21-28) Group Presentations JOURNALS DUE

THERE WILL BE NO FINAL EXAM