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Prerequisite(s): COMM 1100 or COMM 1110.
COMS 4338 Organizational Communication  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Explains the role and effects of communication in everyday organizational life. Includes interpersonal communication in the workplace, leadership, organizational communication and climate, motivation and flow of information in organizations.

COMS 4339 Philosophy of Communication  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Introduces students to the contributions of philosophical debate from logical positivism through hermeneutics to the discipline of human communication studies.

COMS 4711 Communication Studies Practicum  
1 Credit Hour. 0 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Practical experience in speaking and performance events. A maximum of three credit hours may be applied toward the degree.

COMS 4791 Communication Studies Internship  
3-6 Credit Hours. 0 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Provides practical experience in a professional setting appropriate for a student trained in communication studies. Will be under the supervision of a skilled practitioner in the particular area of communication. May be taken only by Communication Studies majors. A maximum of three hours may be applied to the major. To intern, students must have a minimum 2.5 overall GPA  
Prerequisite(s): COMM 1110, junior or senior standing, and departmental approval.

COMS 4831 Directed Study in Communication Studies  
3 Credit Hours. 0 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Offers students opportunities to design and conduct directed research and/or projects in specialized communication studies areas. Must be approved in advance by instructor and department chair. This course may not be used to replace an existing course in the catalog.  
Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval required.

COMS 5330 Communication Theory  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Introduces students to major approaches in the development of communication theory with emphasis on various communication contexts, e.g.; interpersonal, group, organization, mass media, intercultural.  
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in COMS 2330 or PRCA 4330.

Cross Listing(s): COMS 5330G.

COMS 5331 Communication and Conflict  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Introduces students to the theory and practice of conflict management in personal and professional relationships.

COMS 5332 Nonverbal Communication  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
An introduction to the theories, processes and effects of communication in nonverbal codes. Topics may include kinesics, proxemics and paralanguage. Critical analysis and contemporary research emphasized.  
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in COMM 1100 or COMM 1110.

Cross Listing(s): COMS 5332G.

COMS 5333 Communication and Gender  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Introduces students to the literature of gender and communication. Considers how men's and women's self-perceptions and resulting communication patterns evolve as a function of cultural influences.

Cross Listing(s): COMS 5333G.

COMS 5334 Interpersonal Communication in the Workplace  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Communication theory, research, and applications of various forms of interpersonal communication in the workplace. Topics may include superior-subordinate communication, interviewing, and presentations.  
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in COMM 1100 or COMM 1110.

Cross Listing(s): COMS 5334G.

COMS 5335 Family Communication  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Examination of various communication theories within the unique contexts of family dynamics.  
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in COMM 1100.

Cross Listing(s): COMS 5335G.

COMS 5030G Selected Topics in Communication  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Subject announced when course offered. Topics vary, such as environmental impacts on communication, transactional analysis theory, non-verbal communication. Graduate students will have additional readings and research expectations, including, when appropriate, a research presentation.  
Cross Listing(s): COMS 5030.

COMS 5330G Communication Theory  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Introduces students to major approaches in the development of communication theory with emphasis on various communication contexts, e.g.; interpersonal, group, organization, mass media, intercultural. Graduate students will have additional readings and research expectations, including, when appropriate, a research presentation.

Cross Listing(s): COMS 5330.

COMS 5331G Communication and Conflict  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Introduces students to the theory and practice of conflict management in personal and professional relationships. Graduate students will have additional readings and research expectations, including, when appropriate, a research presentation.

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COMS 5333G Communication and Gender  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
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COMS 5334G Interpersonal Communication in the Workplace  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Communication theory, research, and applications of various forms of interpersonal communication in the workplace. Topics may include superior-subordinate communication, interviewing, and presentations. Graduate students will have additional readings and research expectations, including, when appropriate, a research presentation.

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COMS 5335G Family Communication  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Examination of various communication theories within the unique contexts of family dynamics. Graduate students will have additional readings and research expectations, including, when appropriate, a research presentation.  
Cross Listing(s): COMS 5335.

COMS 5530G Rhetoric  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Rhetoric from Aristotle to the present, with emphasis on rhetorical analysis of texts and other forms of discourse. Graduate students will have additional readings and research expectations, including, when appropriate, a research presentation.  
Cross Listing(s): WRIT 5530G.

COMS 7200 Organizational Communication in Diverse Contexts  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Theories and principles of professional discourse applied toward working effectively in ethnically diverse organizations and in international contexts.

COMS 7300 Professional Communication Presentation Skills  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Development and enhancement of public presentation skills using communication theory as a foundation. Emphasis on speech writing, speech preparation, skill development, audience engagement, critical analysis of public address, and differences between face-to-face and electronically-mediated communication environments.

COMS 7400 Communication Training and Development  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.  
Prepares students for managing communication training programs in a variety of settings. Public speaking training and development will be a central focus.