

# COMMUNICATION STUDIES (COMM)

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## COMM-100 Public Speaking 3 Units (LEC 48-54)

This course is an introduction to fundamental theories and skills of public speaking. It emphasizes the preparation and delivery of formal presentations to an audience. Students will learn to choose and narrow topics, research and organize materials, and practice and present speeches that are adapted to various audiences, purposes, and occasions.

**Recommended Preparation:** ENGL-101 or concurrent enrollment in ENGL-101.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 110

**IGETC Area(s):** 1C

**CSU Area(s):** A1

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS D2

## COMM-100H Honors Public Speaking 3 Units (LEC 48-54)

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**Prerequisite:** Acceptance into the Honors Enrichment Program.

**Recommended Preparation:** ENGL-101 or concurrent enrollment in ENGL-101.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 110

**IGETC Area(s):** 1C

**CSU Area(s):** A1

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS D2

## COMM-103 Interpersonal Communication 3 Units (LEC 48-54)

This course develops and applies theories of interpersonal communication. It is intended to increase a student's understanding of and competence in one-to-one interactions. Topics include self-concept, perception, language, nonverbal communication, listening, conversation, self-disclosure, friendship, intimacy, conflict management, and intercultural communication. The student will practice communication skills that develop and maintain relationships occurring in work, social, and nonpublic settings.

Transfers to CSU only

**C-ID:** COMM 130

**CSU Area(s):** A1, E1

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS D2

## COMM-103H Honors Interpersonal Communication 3 Units (LEC 48-54)

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**Prerequisite:** Acceptance into the Honors Enrichment Program.

Transfers to CSU only

**C-ID:** COMM 130

**CSU Area(s):** A1, E1

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS D2

## COMM-104 Argumentation and Debate (formerly Advocacy and Argument) 3 Units (LEC 48-54)

This course develops skills of critical inquiry and advocacy. Through the analysis and development of oral and written arguments, the student will gain experience in evaluating reasoning, identifying logical fallacies, testing evidence and sources of information, advancing a reasoned position, and refuting arguments.

**Recommended Preparation:** ENGL-101 or concurrent enrollment in ENGL-101.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 120

**IGETC Area(s):** 1C

**CSU Area(s):** A1, A3

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS D2

## COMM-104H Honors Argumentation and Debate (formerly Advocacy and Argument) 3 Units (LEC 48-54)

This course develops skills of critical inquiry and advocacy. Through the analysis and development of oral and written arguments, the student will gain experience in evaluating reasoning, identifying logical fallacies, testing evidence and sources of information, advancing a reasoned position, and refuting arguments.

**Prerequisite:** Acceptance into the Honors Enrichment Program.

**Recommended Preparation:** ENGL-101 or concurrent enrollment in ENGL-101.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 120

**IGETC Area(s):** 1C

**CSU Area(s):** A1, A3

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS D2

**COMM-106 Small Group Communication**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course studies communication in small group contexts. Topics include the development of group rules and norms, the emergence of leadership and other roles, and the importance of diversity in decision making. Through participation in group simulations and discussions, the student will learn creativity and critical thinking in problem solving and will develop skills of listening, leadership, consensus building, and conflict management.

Transfers to CSU only

**C-ID:** COMM 140

**CSU Area(s):** A1

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS D2

**COMM-108 Intercultural Communication**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course studies communication and culture. It is designed to develop the student's understanding of intercultural communication between/ among people from different ethnic and cultural groups across a variety of contexts, both global and domestic. This course focuses on the influence of cultures, languages, and social patterns and explores theory and knowledge of effective communication within and between cultures. It examines potential sources of intercultural understanding and conflict, and explores ways to improve communication.

**Recommended Preparation:** ENGL-098 or ESL-098.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 150

**CSU Area(s):** D7

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS B2, AA/AS F

**COMM-108H Honors Intercultural Communication**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course studies communication and culture. It is designed to develop the student's understanding of intercultural communication between/ among people from different ethnic and cultural groups across a variety of contexts, both global and domestic. This course focuses on the influence of cultures, languages, and social patterns and explores theory and knowledge of effective communication within and between cultures. It examines potential sources of intercultural understanding and conflict, and explores ways to improve communication.

**Prerequisite:** Acceptance into the Honors Enrichment Program.

**Recommended Preparation:** ENGL-098 or ESL-098.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 150

**CSU Area(s):** D7

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS B2, AA/AS F

**COMM-110 Communications Media Survey**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course provides a survey of communications media and explores the interrelationships of media, individuals and society. Content includes media history, structure and trends in newspapers, magazines, radio, television, recorded music, film, home video, and the Internet. Students will investigate particular mediums, apply theories and analyze media effects within the context of economics, technology, law, ethics, and social issues.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** JOUR 100

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS B2

**COMM-113 Oral Interpretation of Literature**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course analyzes the art of communicating works of literary merit to an audience; it is an introduction to performance studies. Appropriate literary selection and the use of vocal skills, along with facial and body expression will be developed in order to present works of literature to a theatrical audience. Individual and group performances of poetry, prose, and drama are included. \*Cross-listed as THA-113.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 170

**CSU Area(s):** C1

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS C

**COMM-115 Persuasion**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course is designed to provide a better understanding of the theory, practice, and strategies of persuasion on a variety of human contexts. Knowledge of the persuasion process and social influence should enable one to make more informed decisions as a sender and receiver of persuasive messages. This course will help students become more effective at influencing others.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 190

**COMM-116 Gender and Communication**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course examines gender differences in communication, including theories concerning differences, as well as, issues of gender in a variety of contexts such as families, relationships, the workplace, the media and school.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**CSU Area(s):** D4, D7

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS B2

**COMM-117 Organizational Communication (formerly Professional Communication)**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course examines and explores the role of communication within organizations. Concern will be given to theories and application pertaining to communication in the work place. Areas such as technologies, leadership, teamwork, culture, diversity, global organizations, and ethics will be examined.

Transfers to CSU only

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS B2

**COMM-119 Public Relations**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course is an introduction to the principles, history and development, and practice of Public Relations. It examines the origins and evolution of the role of the PR practitioner. Students will learn to identify trends and use research and respond ethically to the many challenges facing organizations today. Planning, strategic management, choice of media tactics, and types of campaigns are scrutinized and analyzed as are crisis communication and credibility.

Transfers to CSU only

**COMM-120 Survey of Communication Studies**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course provides an introduction to the field of communication by addressing public, rhetorical, interpersonal, intercultural, group, organizational, mass and mediated communication. This course examines a wide range of theoretical approaches pertinent to the field of communication studies. Individual and group presentations help students identify and analyze communication patterns and their effects as well as develop strategies for becoming better communicators.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 180

**AA/AS General Education:** AA/AS B2

**COMM-129 Reader's Theater**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course focuses on the theories and techniques of oral performance of literature and drama through solo, small group, and ensemble speaking. Students study script analysis, preparation and adaptation, staging and directing techniques and vocal skills. This course culminates in public performance. \*Cross-listed as THA-127.

**Recommended Preparation:** ENGL-098 or ESL-098.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**Course Related Content Group:** Voice Movement

**COMM-160 Debate and Forensics Activities**  
**1 Unit (LAB 24-27, LEC 8-9)**

This course prepares students to compete in intercollegiate speech and debate tournaments. Students will engage in research, preparation of interpretive material from literature, construction of debate cases, and lab practice for competition.

**Recommended Preparation:** COMM-100 or COMM-104 or COMM-113 or COMM-129 or THA-113 or THA-127 or concurrent enrollment in COMM-100 or COMM-104 or COMM-113 or COMM-129 or THA-113 or THA-127.

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**C-ID:** COMM 160B

**COMM-201 Advanced Public Speaking**  
**3 Units (LEC 48-54)**

This course develops advanced principles and skills of public speaking including application of rhetorical theory, advanced research skills, in-depth audience analysis, and the art of clear, precise, and articulate delivery. In addition to fostering eloquence, consideration is paid to information competency, specific contexts of oratory and advanced critical analysis of public discourse.

**Prerequisite:** COMM-100 (with a grade of C or better).

Transfers to both UC/CSU

**IGETC Area(s):** 1C

**CSU Area(s):** A1

**COMM-299 Special Projects: Communication**  
**1-3 Unit (IS 16-54)**

Students with previous course work in the program may do special projects that involve research and special study. The actual nature of the project must be determined in consultation with the supervising instructor.

**Prerequisite:** Two Communication Studies classes must be completed prior to enrollment; a contract must be completed with the instructor prior to enrollment.

Transfers to CSU only

**COMM-549 Cooperative Work Experience: Communication Studies**  
**(formerly COMM-149)**  
**0.5-8 Units CWE Paid 75-300/Unpaid 60-240**

This course is supervised employment extending classroom-based occupational learning at an on-the-job learning station relating to the students' educational or occupational goal (Title 5 section 55252). Students may earn a maximum of (8) semester credit hours during one enrollment period. Students may earn up to a total of 16 semester credit hours for all Cooperative Work Experience Education. Offered as pass/no pass only. (formerly COMM 149)

**Other Enrollment Criteria:** Each student must be enrolled for the full semester and have completed one course in the discipline. A training agreement must be completed prior to registration. Please refer to the Cooperative Work Experience Student Handbook for specific information. Transfers to CSU only